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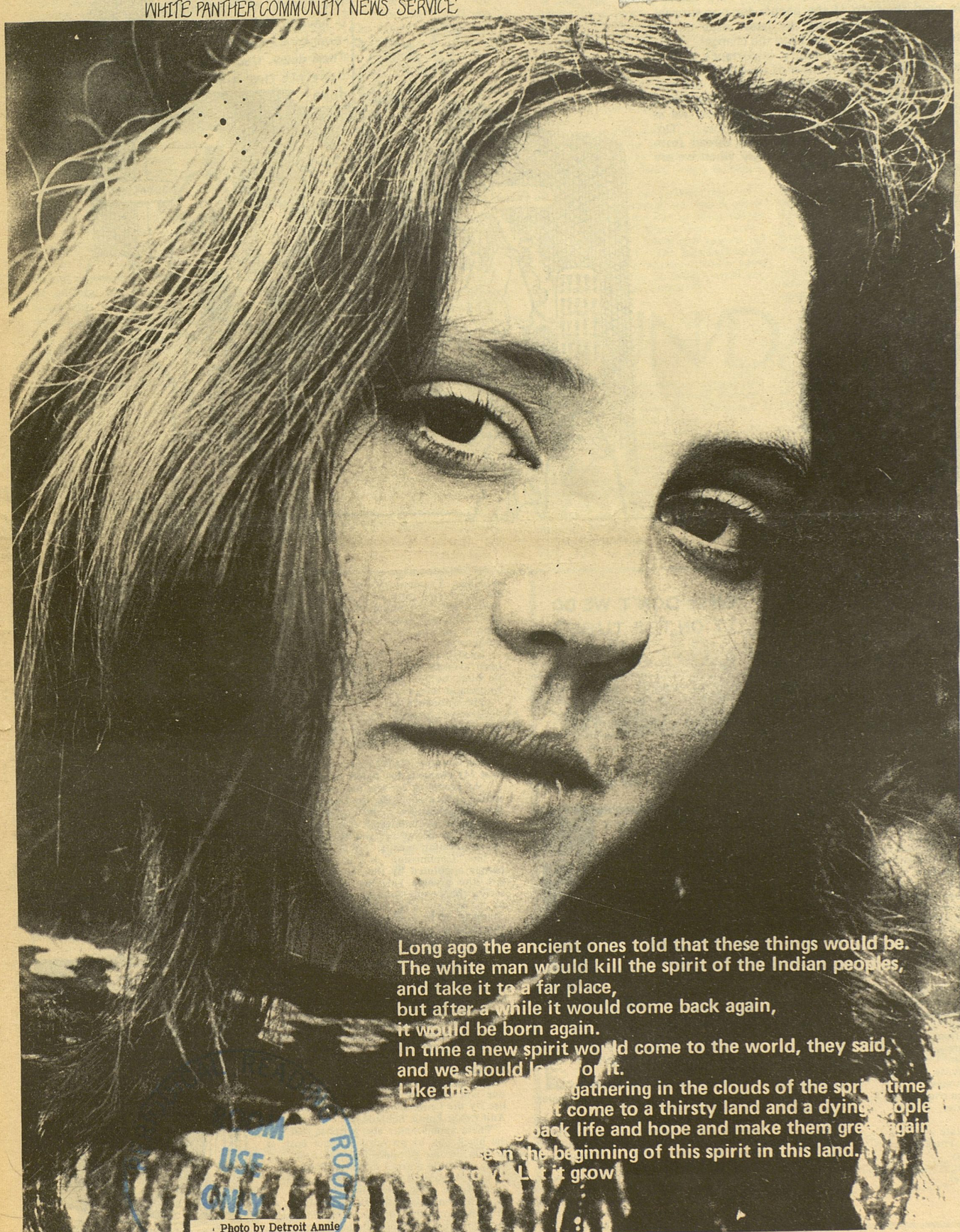

Long ago the ancient ones told that these things would be.
The white man would kill the spirit of the Indian peoples,
and take it to a far place,
but after a while it would come back again,
it would be born again.
In time a new spirit would come to the world, they said,
and we should l[illegible] for it.
Like the [illegible] gathering in the clouds of the spri[illegible] time,
[illegible]t come to a thirsty land and a dying people
[illegible]back life and hope and make them gre[illegible] again.
[illegible]n the beginning of this spirit in this land.
[illegible] Let it grow!

Photo by Detroit Annie

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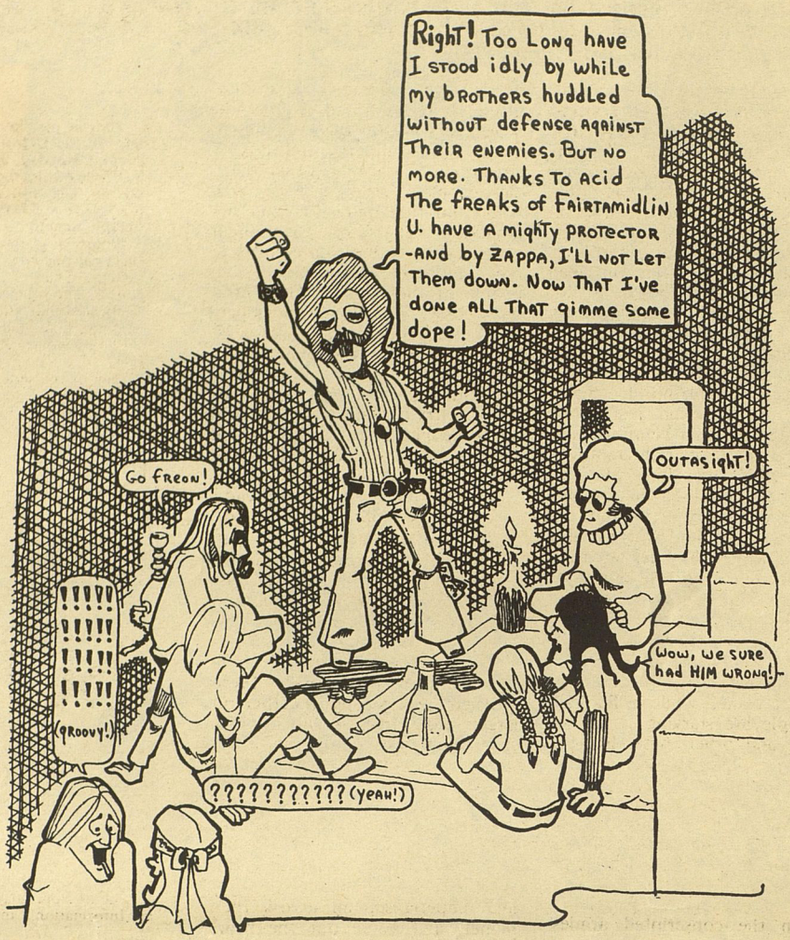
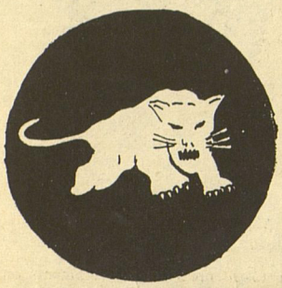
Last week we didn't come out for lack of money. The ARGUS phones are shut off for the same reason: we ain't got the bread. We've got to go down to Indiana every week to print the paper, and that's a hassle. Money from advertisers is trickling in slowly. We are faced with crises and chaos when it comes to money.

Yes, dear public, this is a plea for money. Until we hold the ARGUS benefit on 26 July (Sunday), we really don't have adequate bread to fend off the landlord, tax collector, and bill collectors. The July benefit will be at Wompler's Lake Pavilion for three bucks from noon to six. Mitch Ryder will for sure be there. Meanwhile. . .

We need the help of the people for our survival. Next time you are buying the latest issue on the street, raise your fist and say keep the change!

Another item of community importance is this: there have been a large number of rip-offs committed in our neighborhood recently which we are suspected of having done. The White Panther Party stands opposed to robbing the people: and we as Panthers will not steal from our neighbors. "Do not take a single needle or piece of thread from the masses". We are accused wrongly when we are accused of these petty crimes.


Right! Too Long have I stood idly by while my brothers huddled without defence against Their enemies. But no more. Thanks To acid The freaks of Fairtamidlin U. have A mighty protector -And by Zappa, I'll not Let Them down. Now That I've done ALL THAT gimme some dope!
Go freon!
OUTASIGHT!
Wow, we sure had HIM wrong!
(groovy!)
??????????? (yeah!)



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WHY DON'T WE DO IT ON THE TUBE?

No doubt about it. Cable TV is a revolutionary development in communications technology. But it is still up to the people to force the revolutionary changes required to make the media operate in the public interest.

Cable TV, or Community Antenna Television (CATV), essentially is another wire (actually a coaxial cable) coming into your house just like the phone and the electric. The cable goes to a black box attached to your set and eliminates the need for a private antenna.

It also offers uniformly perfect reception and a selection of twenty different channels. It is claimed that this will allow for more diversified programming at lower cost.

Groovy. Our concern is with who will be producing all these extra programs.

The Ann Arbor City Council has drafted an ordinance which, when it is passed, will grant a franchise to the Michigan Communications Group, Inc. to start laying cable over and under the streets and start selling black boxes for a $15.00 installation fee and $5.00 a month for the latest revolutionary development.

Incidentally, all the cable will have been manufactured by and will probably be hung on the poles of your humble Imperialist telephone company.

The ordinance has a lot of provisions designed to protect economic interests and define legal liabilities, but under a section called "Public Service and Public Broadcasting" it reads:

The Grantee [MCG] agrees to provide four (4) channels for public service use. . . .In providing for the usage of such public service channels, the Commission may consider any unmet need of low income or economically disadvantaged persons for access to, and use of, such communication media.

The "Commission" is a panel of five people appointed by the Mayor to regulate the grantee (making sure that it serves the people) and to issue licenses to broadcast over the public service channels. The first commission will be appointed after the ordinance becomes law.

Several amendments to this ordinance are being proposed by the Washtenaw County Black Economic Development League to tighten up this vague reference to the unmet needs of low income people.

In particular, they think that one of the public service channels be designated as a low income community channel to be administered by its own Board of Directors elected by the low income community.

(Of the other public service channels, one will probably be given to full-time use by the University and another to the Ann Arbor Public Schools.)

These amendments also propose that the black box be provided without cost to low income families, "low income" being explicitly defined in the proposal.

The proposed amendments are a product of the work being done to implement the demands of the Black Manifesto. If they are adopted, there would be provisions for obtaining production equipment at the lowest possible cost, and a training program would be set up to sure that people have access to necessary special skills.

Such fantasies might become fact without being included as provisions of the ordinance, because the wording supposedly impowers the commission to do any of this stuff. If the amendments are ignored, the thing to do will be to seize positions on the commission.

The ordinance comes up for second (final) reading at the next Council meeting which is on 13 July at 7:30. The city "fathers" are anxious to hand it over MCG, and any further amending would delay it another 30 days.

Television is the most powerful communicating device of all time. Witness the nation of sheep it has created in the United States. The tube has got to be opened up to the opinions and lifestyles of all "minority groups"—who are, after all, the majority and the hope of the world.

Until the cable, even the idea of a liberated TV station was impossible. But if the people don't carry through with this opportunity, then they shouldn't complain about more of the same old shit.

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WE WANT FREEDOM

POINT #8 OF THE WHITE PANTHER PROGRAM

WE WANT THE FREEDOM OF ALL PEOPLE WHO ARE HELD AGAINST THEIR WLL IN THE CONSCRIPTED ARMIES OF THE OPPRESSORS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

The people in the countries of the oppressors have been continuously ripped off to fight the racist wars of aggression. In Amerika, the most powerful oppressive force there is, even citizens from foreign countries can be drafted into the pig army of the u.s. if they stay in this country too long (over a year). The Amerikan government has the power to do anything they want because they are the richest government in the world, either owning or having the biggest voting share in most of the corporations in the world. Such puppets of Amerikan just-us as Diem of South Viet Nam are paid employees of the rich motherfuckers who run this country. 80% of each tax dollar in Amerika goes to the military or military use in some way. United States savings bonds, of which churches put their money in, are used for the oppressors to exploit the masses (to profit from the labor of others). The Amerikan government is using the energy of the people to carry on campaigns of aggression across the planet, while in Babylon the people are starving, of disease, and other wise being exploited. The rich get richer and the poor get poorer, while the war of aggression waged by the u.s. in Viet Nam still goes on and Nixon decides to spread out the war to include the heavy bombing of Cambodia.

The rip off of our people to serve in the conscripted armies of the oppressors must cease immediately (conscripted means to be forced to serve for the government, mainly in the military), and those already in the armies, other than the peoples armies must be free from the oppression and degradation. The fascist government is using the youth of our country to rape, murder, and degrade the people of the world. They take our people, force them under penalty of imprisonment to serve in military, degrade and dehumanize them, then brainwash them and turn them into computerized zombies to carry out the death contracts on all peoples of the planet except the very rich, fascist, racist white supremist.

We call on the people already in the pigs military service to stay in and sabotage it from the inside, or to leave and join the peoples forces from the outside. Some of our brothers are joining the progressive organization called Movement for Democratic Military (MDM), while they are still in the armed forces of the pig. These brothers are getting together in larger and larger numbers, and they ain't taking any shit from the military punks who are supposed to give the orders. Right on MDM. To the people who can be ripped off from their families, stand firm, stay in the heart of Babylon, join the peoples forces in the struggle against racism, fascism, and imperialism all across the planet, and carve out the heart of the pig.

PIGS and PANTHERS

Detroit pigs launched an unsuccesful raid on the Detroit White Panther Party chapter Monday, June 22. The Panthers had been on the roof of their commune at Warren and Forest, posing with their pieces for a poster advertising the Jack Forrest Benefit.

Fourteen pigs arrived at the chapter on that someone had called the police station saying, "There's men on the roof with guns." The pigs, devoted members of the Tactical Mobile Unit and armed with M-1 carbines, 45's, and shotguns, surrounded the house while a car of detectives sat outside.

Ten of the squealing, ravenous oinkers trotted around to the back door where they were met by Panthers who said, "Who's in charge here?" Do you have a warrant?"

"No", chirped one farthead pig.

The pigs demanded that they be allowed to get up on the roof to check out the "men with guns" there. There weren't men on the roof. There were women and men on the roof. The pigs backed off when one Panther warned, "You're being very reactionary. Someday you'll get your goddam heads blown off."

Meanwhile, the Panthers in a very wise tactical move, mobilized 40-50 community people to gather around the house and protect it. This was possible through use of a phone tree, so that only one call to the people had to go out.

The pigs became jittery and finally hoofed it down the path to the pig cars and split.

The Jack Forrest Benefit, dubbed ROCK AND ROLL CONSPIRACY, will include the UP, COMMANDER CODY AND THE LOST PLANET AIRMEN, and other star attractions.

The gig will be held at the Palladium in Birmingham from 4-12 on 14 July, Bastille Day. The Panthers are asking a $3 donation at the gate; the bread will go toward the legal defense of Jack Forrest. who is being framed along with John Sinclair and Pun Plamondon on a conspiracy to bomb government property charge. Attorney William Kunstler, who is known for his defense of the Chicago 7 and H. Rap Brown, is defending Sinclair and Forrest in the case.

Another thing Detroit freeks might check out is the new Warren-Forest SUN, which the White Panther Party will soon be distributing on the street.

SUN/DANCE

SUN/DANCE, the national offical information organ of the White Panther Party, will hit the streets of the planet with historical flourish July 4.

National distribution will be through 30 White Panther chapters coast to coast. The first press run will be 40,000, and will include articles by Tom Hayden, Rennie Davis, John Sinclair, Genie Plamondon, Pun Plamondon, among many. It will be coordinated by the Ministry of Information, and designed by the Ministry of Art.

The first two issues will be monthly, with plans to set up to bi-weekly thereafter. Covers and centerfolds will be posters. It is edited by the Central Committee of the White Panther Party.

For anyone relating to the Party, a subscription is a must. "We sent out our first mailing less than a week ago, announcing the paper, and already we have 15 subscriptions," said Judy Janis, a SUN/DANCE coordinator. Subscriptions are $5 for 25 issues.

Complimentary subscriptions are being sent to all progressive governments on the planet. Chairman Mao is the number one complimentary subscriber.

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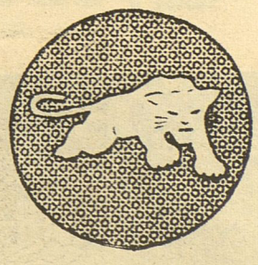

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OUR COMMUNITY

PEOPLE'S BUS

Last Tuesday, June 23. a group of people got together and had the city rent a school bus. This bus was used to take about thirty people out to Kensington Park for an afternoon of swimming and just having a good time.

This bus will pick people up every Tuesday afternoon at the Diag on State St. at 1:00 to take people swimming or what ever they want to do.

This is a good chance for every one to get away from all the cement in the city and go visit mother earth for awhile

sun. concert

On Sunday, June 28, Ann Arbor's communic energy put forth another killer concert. The beauty of our together community was once again unveiled to the public.

The Floating Opera, the first band to play, had the people dancing when they came on with 'Mountain Rubble'.

One of the first locally known bands in this area, The Rationals, came on second. The Rats got down as always and were truely in the spirit of the situation.

The fantastic Commander Cody had the people dancing, clapping and generally high energized. The Commander's country&western style brought the people together into that communal beauty that gives people rushes and scares pigs.

This was only the third in the summer series of Sunday Concerts. The total togetherness of the many people present was only a small proportional example of what we expect by summers end.

Noise(?) complaint

Our brothers on Kalmbach Road in Chelsea, who have been beat on and shot at in the past, are now being unreasonably hassled again. Supposeably there were some noise complaints. (the nearest neighbor lives about a quarter of a mile away) If they stood outside of their house and listened very hard they might be able to almost hear some noise, but I doubt it.

So the county boys use this ruse called noise complaints to hassle our brothers. At about 11:45 p.m. Wednesday June 24, two of Harvey's pigletts arrived at the Kalmbach house to inform the kids that their music was too loud. Ted, who answered the door, was very cooperative and immediatly turned down the music. At this point the pigs job was done and they should have made their exit, but they must have been enjoying themselves too much to leave.

" Whatcha smokin in there "

" Nothing "

" Nothing!?! Im getting high just by standing here on the porch! "(he should have stayed there a little longer, it would have done him some good.)

Then the pig illegally barged into the door grabbing Ted around the neck in a chocke hold and threw him on the floor of the next room while calling him a liar. While Ted was lying on the floor too stunned to move, the pig oinked " I can be back here in two minutes with a warrant and rip this place apart! "

Amerika's protecters then left not to return again that night.

The continuous harrasment these people have been subjected to just shows us that people can't escape the grasp of the pigs simply by going to the countryside. The pig power exists every where and the only way to escape it is to organize ourselves to a powerful level and put the pigs back where they belong.

& caught! &

Debby Owens, a sixteen year old runaway was caught ripping off a sandwich at Ralphs Market Monday afternoon, June 22. Ralph busted her and called the pigs.

Millions of freaks rip off Ralphs continuously, Ralph knows about it, but he just talks to the people that he catches. There is no coincidence that Debby, being a black got busted because obviously Ralph is a racist punk. The pigs took Debby to the station, hassled her, then took her to Platt. Rd. Dentention Center, where she is now waiting to be sent to Girls Training School.

Ralph was a punk to call the pigs when he could of easily handled the situation himself. Ralph and others like him who rely on the pigs, should be dealt with by the people.

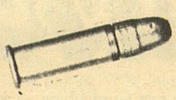
PIG SWILL

When Sheriff Harvey riots in the streets, like all good Amerikans, he expects money for it. He has paid his goons over $17,000 in overtime so far this year, and his "bosses," the Washtenaw County Board of Supervisors, don't know yet where that bread is coming from.

The County power structure also has a prosecutor working full time on "disorder" cases, and the courts' and prosecutor's budgets have been overspent by $101,000 in the first five months of this year.

The Supervisors founf out the other day that the Michigan Legislature don't see it as their thing to give college towns any more money.

Could it be that the local pig is running out of resources? Not likely, but with two politically aware campuses in the county, whoever ends up getting ripped off for subsidizing such fiascos could get plenty pissed off.



A new city ordinace for Ann Arbor makes it illegal to possess a gun in a public place unless you are a police officer, and the possession has to be connected with a regulary scheuled event.

If you are a public business you can have a gun for self-defense and to protect your business.

more noise

After the free concert at the park last Sunday, June 28, the people were treated to another free concert at the people's Big Steel Ballroom. The concert was dedicated to all the area's hard working road managers, thusly named the Roadies Ball.

Bands on hand were the Mad Hatter, Carnal Kitchen (featuring Frog), and from New York, David Peel and the Lower East Side.

About half way through their set, the Mad Hatter were very rudely inturrupted by the arrival of a city pig. Again the pigs used the ruse called "noise complaints" to hassle the people. Both the band and the club recieved tickets for being too loud.

The pigs then left only to return again in about ten minutes to give both the club and the band still another ticket for not turning down enough. This time the pig decided to give the people a speech. Speaking in forked tounge, he told us that we always talk about power but we don't know how to use it. He went on to say that we were lucky we had a ballroom and we better learn how to appreciate it.

The people responded to this jive with screams of " off the pig"

Steve the Head then announced that the matter will be taken to court. The train that goes through that part of town makes far more noise than any rock band. Outside in the parking lot the music can be heard but it's about as loud as a car radio.

The Mad Hatter appropriately ended their set with their version of "Volunteers"(got a revolution, got to revolution"')

After the Hatter finished playing their tickets, David Peel and the Lower East Side, who are best known in this area for their appearance at the infamous Whistle Stop last summer, Played second and were followed by the Carnal Kitchen. I didn't catch the last two acts because I went home to pass out from a long day which everybody enjoyed.

PHOTO BY DARYL

sisters

Wednesday night we attended a women's liberation meeting. Some of the women that attended were married and had kids, lived in communes, or lived by themselves. When we started rapping we realized our common oppression and became more aware of the honk death culture that thrives on insecurity, driving all people who aren't sure of themselves to take on male-female roles, and forfeiting their individualism. We have been inbred with women's inferiority, and subjected to the exploitation of our bodies. Sisters, we should unite and help raise people's consciousness level so we can begin to end our oppression.

OPEN WOMEN'S MEETING EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH ON N. DIVISION.

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REVOLUTION or REACTION

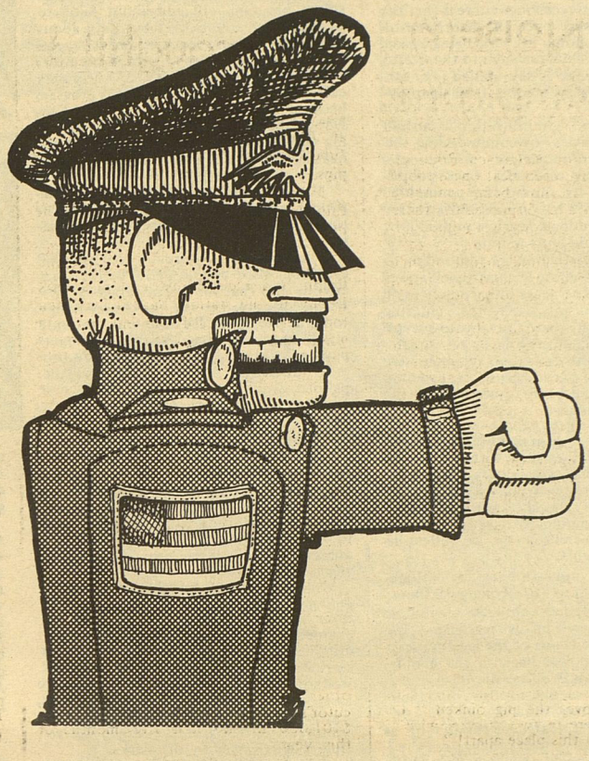
Tuesday night, 23 June 1970, 300 brothers and sisters got together on the corner of South University and East University for a street party that could only happen in Ann Arbor. People started marching as a demonstration against Nixon's decision to increase bombing of Cambodia—and against Nixon in general. The march started at S.U. and E.U., went to State St. toward the State theater, around the block to pick up more people and finally up North University toward the R.O.T.C. building. The pace was picked up and so were the rocks. Rocks started clicking together and the people sang 'no more pigs in our community—OFF THE PIG!' while picking up the pace even more. The front of the march began running toward the objective and a barage of rocks bombarded the building until the cry of PIGS rang out and everyone split back to the corner of S.U. and E.U. for a spontaneous street party. The battle had been victorious. All power to the people right on.

Beer, wine and tokes went through the crowd and the people started getting down. Wood was brought to the center of the intersection and a small fire was started. A brother came out of the crowd, put the fire out and with the help of the people that took the wood out there, cleaned the street up.

A cry rose from the crowd, 'lets go to Arch St., the pigs never go on Arch St. let's have a party on Arch St.' About fifty people went to Arch St. and had the party—the pigs came only twice.

The battle Tuesday night had not been too victorious. The only victory won by the people was that there were 300 brothers and sisters on the streets the rest of the night was not a victory at all. There was lack of organization, discipline, and the whole action was reactionary. All power is not in the hands of the poeple as it will be, but it won't be gotten in the manner of Tuesday night. Organization and discipline are very much needed in order for the people to rid themselves of fascist rule.

If the pigs would have come down on the people during the street party, because of the lack of organization and discipline, most of the people there would have split, got seperated, and wouldn't have been able to regroup.



A few individuals would have thrown rocks, the pigs would have shot tear gas beaten a few people and arrested about 50 on bogus charges, just because no one had their shit together.

Brothers and sisters should get together with 3 or 4 friends and become a well organized and disciplined unit. This unit must stick together during street parties, etc. and at all times during these get togethers on the street, every member of the unit should be in constsnt communication with the unit. If the unit is functioning properly it will be very hard to get busted or separated from the rest of the people.

Even with all the people in units and all these units organized together, there is much more to winning freedom than throwing rocks through windows or starting small fires in the middle of the street. These actions only serve to alienate the masses of the people and piss off the pigs-who welcome any chance to go among the people and beat some ass. Throwing rocks does not win battles, does not win the freedom for all people to determine their own destinies, it only serves to separate the people. All people must rise up together in order for the racist pig to fall. Trashing (throwing rocks) is reactionary. This means that the pigs are calling the battles, such as tuesday nights action because of the call to increase the bombing in Cambodia. This is reactionary because the pig did something and the people acted against it. The Amerikan government is reactionary, the people aren't supposed to be reactionary. It was reactionary to move into Viet Nam on the part of the u.s., they reacted against the Vietnamese people for having a beautiful culture, just as they -Amerika-reacted against the Indians, the black people and all people except themselves. The pig is fighting when he wants to and on his own terms, this has to change.

The battle field must be one on which the pig is uncertain and has no knowledge of. The pig must be stopped, but by letting them pick the time, place, and how the battles will be fought, the peoples victory will surely be a long way off. Seize the time—off the slime and all power to the People's Militia!

EVENTS CALENDAR

ROCK 'n' ROLL WEEKEND in ANN ARBOR

TATE BLUES BAND

Friday, Saturday, at CANTERBURY HOUSE 8:00 $2.00

Free Rock Concert

SUNDAY at Diana Oughton Memorial Park 12:00—6:00

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FRIDAY 10 JULY

open ARM meeting for anyone interested in working on the street paper. 524 S. Forest, 5:00.
Canterbury House-Tate Blues Band.
Union Ballroom-Leaves of Grass and Love's Alchemy. 9:00, $1.
Big Steel-New Heavenly Blue, Brat, Loci. 8:00, $1.50.
Eastowne Ballroom-Leon Russell, All The Lonely People, Savage Grace. 8041 Harper, Detroit.

SATURDAY 11 JULY

Political education class held at Cavanaugh Lake. Meet at Argus house at 2:00.
Big Steel-New Heavenly Blue, Brat, Loci, 8:00, $1.50.
Canterbury House-Tate Blues Band.
Eastowne-Leon Russell, All the Lonely People, Savage Grace.

SUNDAY 12 JULY

FREE CONCERT at Diana Oughton Memorial Park, 2-6.
Canterbury House-films.

MONDAY 13 JULY

City Council meeting-7:30.

TUESDAY 14 JULY

Swimming-meet on Diag 1:00.

WEDNESDAY 15 JULY

Open Women's Liberation meeting at St. Andrew's Church on N. Division 7:30
Canterbury House-Radical Film Series presents Ingmar Bergman's SEVENTH SEAL. 7,9,11:00, 75 cents.

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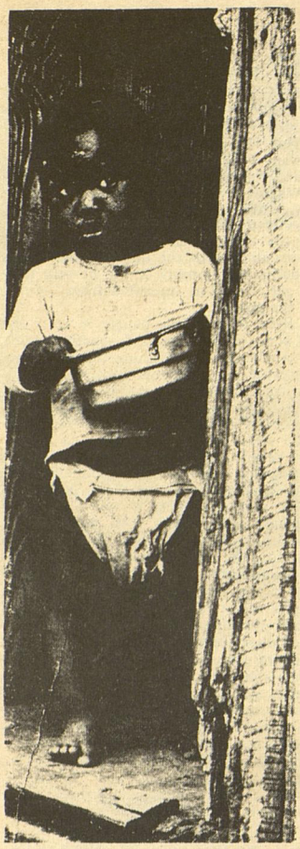

WELFARE..?

'In every society where property exist there will ever be a struggle between rich and poor. Mixed in one assembly, equal laws can never be expected'.
John Adams, patriot

In June, 1968 nine million people were on the Welfare Program, In June 1969, ten million people were on welfare. More poor people are discovering and demanding their rights.

One third of the people are living below the poverty line of $3,700 and are on welfare
48% are children
20% are elderly
16% are adults with children
8% are too sick to work
7% are disabled
1% are blind

Very few of those reciving welfare can work. First of all, 75% are either children, the aged, disabled, or the blind. Secondly, not all the rest can be considered able-bodied adults. Many are too sick to hold steady jobs that are available to them. Still others are parents of young children in single-adult families and are needed at home or they cannot procure adequate child-care facilities.

The main reason for people being on welfare is that there is no jobs for people who have not been trained to do what is a 'highly skilled' job. In slum areas of major cities the Labor Department's subemployment index runs as high as 50%. Half the people cannot find a job or cannot earn enough money. The basic underlying reason why more people are receiving welfare is that the people that were once the backbone of Amerika's economy are now being locked out of the mainstream and into the ghetto. People who work at low skilled jobs cannot get adequate income from employment.

The Nixion administration's current economic policies are compounding the employment problem for poor people, particularly the unskilled, black people and women. By raising the unemployment rate to 5% Nixon's anti-inflationary policies will eliminate nearly a million jobs and force people onto welfare.

Welfare departments are responding to pressure from Welfare Rights Organizations and are forced to cease illegal practices of harassing applicants, aburptly entering their homes, enforcing 'substitute parent' rules. More people are able to get welfare, more are staying on it, and recipients are getting more money because local welfare departments are being forced to obey the present welfare laws.

More and more people are joining Welfare Rights Organizations and finding out what rights they have with welfare. In 1960 only half of the people who could get welfare were receiving it. Poor people are organizing Black power and poor power are begining to have an impact on this dying society as the powerless demand their rights.

People are not poor or on welfare because something is wrong with them; it is because the capitalist economic throat-slitting system is reaching its climax. Welfare is one of the legal ways of getting some power back to the people where it belongs. Poor people have never been able to secure enough of their wages so that they would have food on the table for the next day, and as long as the present system holds the power they never will. The people have challenged the power structure to halt its emphasis on death and destruction and let the people live in peace.

It costs $5500 for a poor family of four to just get by in one year. At the worst the Nixon Family Assistance Plan allows a family of four $1600 a year. This is less the present welfare payment in 42 states, and provides about an average of 19 cents per meal per person, not including other expenses.

So many times I have heard the line 'Everyone could get a job if they wanted to work and support themselves', but it is very disgusting to work eight hours a day seven days a week for practically nothing and still come out in the hole. Fuck Henry Ford, fuck Richard Millhouse, fuck all those swine with their moneybags and cadillacs and steaks.

The Nixon plan claims that the food stamp program will add about $800 to recipients' yearly budget but only about 38% of the welfare recipients now receive food stamps according to the Agriculture Department in January 1970. Recipients cannot afford to take part in this program because the stamps are not free. In the winter the recipient has to postpone buying warm clothing or they cannot pay the heating bill if they have to spend their money on food stamps.

The program brands recipients as poor people, giving them bits of colored paper that alienate them from the 'harder working people'.

The best food program is free food for everyone. Poor people know better than anyone else that the hodge-podge of programs offered by the government are welfare programs for farmers, the food distribution industry, and for employers paying low wages to the workers. This program does not serve the needs of the people. Welfare programs that exclude people for reasons other than need are the basic reason for hunger and malnutrition in the wealthiest empire of the World.

The stamp program is run by the Agriculture Department and is basically a farm subsidy program. The content of the program is very clear, exemplified by the fact that in addition to not being allowed to buy imported food, you cannot buy seeds or seedlings to grow your own vegetables.

Stamps must be bought by recipients and are only available at very few locations holding contracts with the state, for example, banks. Recipients are often discriminated against by the bank with poor service and not being allowed to cash their welfare checks to purchase the stamps. The local banks make money on each book, continue to say it is a 'service to the community'. Then, at the stores the recipient is harrassed by the clerks.

Stamps can be used at certain stores and this creates a transportation problem for many people. Stores have to agree to accept stamps but many will not because government reimbursement is so slow.

The government admits that people need more food but are unwilling to give it up. They have therefore spent much in additional money in printing poor people's money, distributing it, administering it, and watchdogging it. Because recipients object to the stamp program local officials have had to offer other bonuses which amount to a bribe to get people on the stamp program.

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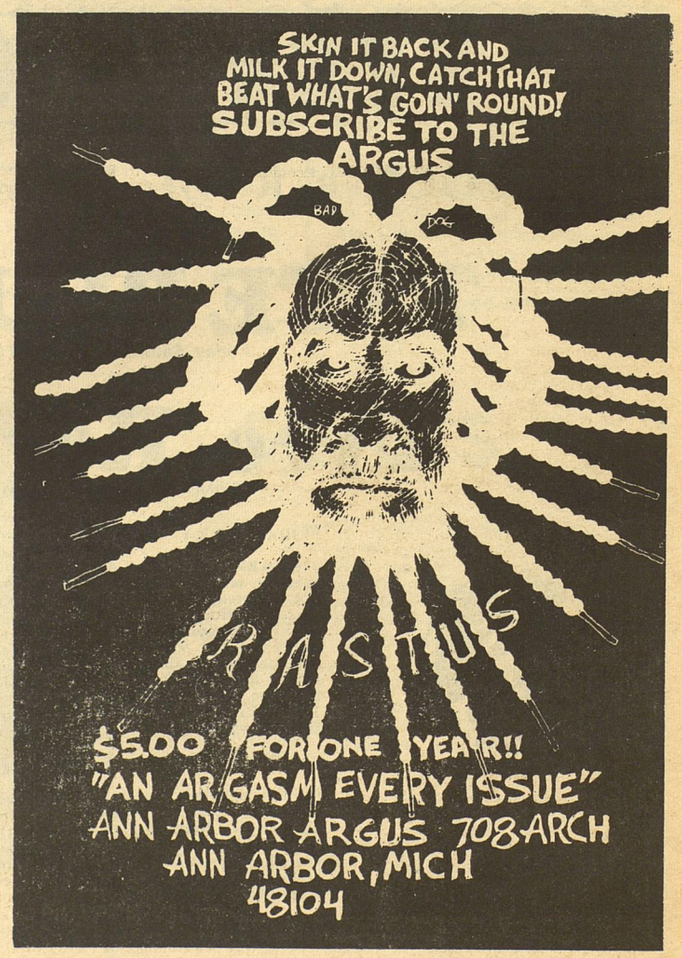
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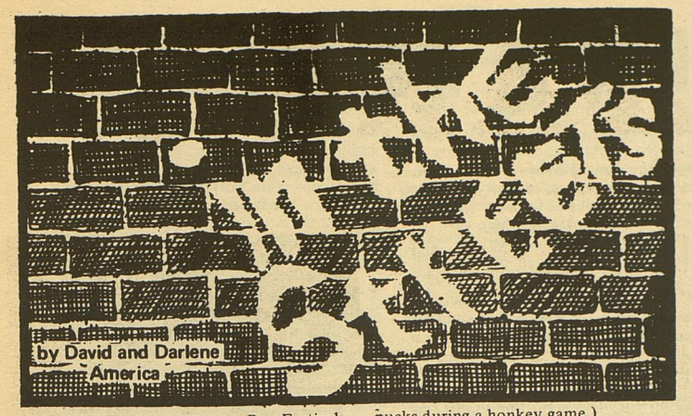

notes on the Detroit-Windsor Pop Festival or How Not to Succeed by really Trying

Yup, well kids, that was the first annual detroit-windsor Plop Festival you just saw slip and slide by. $5 for 12 hours of camping out on a cement floor is pretty reasonable if you Think about It. And the Windsor Arena is *Such* fun (if you can manage to ignore those reality flashes of supple athletes killing each other with flying pucks during a honkey game.)

The day was a *very* special one for Jesse Crawford. They honored his name by placing it on the Undesirable Alien List at the border, thereby forcing the old Jess to tool back to the zone. (Even the MC5 were higher energy than the obnoxious mc who stood in; he kept referring to us as ladies and gentlemen.)

And if you were an amerikan citizen, you experienced the extra added thrill of having your car completely torn apart by Mr. Operation Intercept and his friendly courteous zombies at Customs.

Most of the bands who played were really okay, albeit consistently rather low energy –Shakey Jake, Springwell, Rationals, 3rd Power, Blues Train were all good...the Frijid Pink had em dancing too. Nope, the bands weren't the problem. The aroma of the skonk dogs maybe? How about the narcotics agents slinking around? One nark per three people ain't pushing things too far you say? COULD IT HAVE (gasp) POSSIBLY BEEN THE...VIBES?

You know, rock and roll dances don't absolutely HAVE to be tortured nightmares of No Fun. We always have a much better time if we remember to sneak in the back door. Collectively impersonate your favorite band– one time we even got free food when we were John Mayall and The Boys. (This method works best in the midst of very large groups of people, so you can split if you must.) There is really no reason to pay for any outdoor event–fences and the rest are quite easy to conquer if the gates aren't already smashed by the time you arrive.

Indoor places are a tad harder to spring into. Most of the roadies around Michigan are very cool and would be glad for your help carrying equipment in, but this requires your appearance on the set at least an hour before the doors open. Press cards and other similar paraphernalia usually won't work, unless you happen to actually look like a respectable journalist, and even then you'll have to go through a bunch of wierd introductions and discussions with the manager, owner, partner, etc. of The Club. It is easy to do what you want except in the more 'sophisticated' and 'seasoned' clubs, like the Grande. Whatever you do, don't pay green money to enter.

Getting in for free is actually the least of your worries if the bands are sickeningly low energy and insist upon playing carbon copies of the latest rolling stones album. Tell them you want to hear what *they* have to play. They will appreciate your concern and attention.

If the very thought of potato chips and friends makes you puke, bring some good food with you–don't expect the management to supply you with the day's quota of vitamin C et al.

For some reason, most people are into a 'audience consciousness' scene, i.e. 'That is a BAND up there, and we are mere MORTALS who would not dare challenge that great tradition of silent, aweful, unmoving listening to our youthful cultural heroes.' Besides, dancing and moving around and fucking in the corners are good for you.

This weekend in Cincinnati there was to have been a pop festival. It was promoted by Mike Quatro and Russ Gibb to be "as heavy as Woodstock without any of the hassles."

We came together in Cincinnati.

I once again followed the call of Quatro, tantilized by promises of Ten Years After, Mountain, Traffic. The need to come together outside around my music overpowered thoughts of previous Quatro productions.

Outside Crosley field that night was slightly reminiscent of Woodstock. There was thousands of freeks amid cries of lids, acid, mescaline, music from tape decks and radios. People settled down to await the opening of the gates in the morning. The crowd had seemed to swell with the morning sunrise, we were elated to be together again. Inside the stadium the music of Dhobie's Itch was driving. I drifted through the passageways onto the field.

I made it. The Cincinnati Pop Festival.

After Dhobie's Itch I was ready. Ready to be carried off by more rock and roll. Instead, over the loudspeakers: "there will be no more music until you people clear off the grass!"

Off the grass! I looked around me. Either I was on the grass, in the sun, getting it on, or I was in the bleachers. Surely the announcer **couldn't** have meant that he wanted me to sit in the bleachers!

I, for the next two groups was barraged with demands to clear the field. "Now Ten Years After and Traffic have come all the way here from England to play for you, but they can't play until you people clear the field." It dawned, infield. This was a baseball field, and they actually expected us to sit in the bleachers and SPECTATE. Just like the honks at a double header. Sit in the bleachers and eat hot dogs and popcorn, with the whole expanse of a baseball field between me and my music. But they couldn't expect that; Mike Quatro has been working in the midwest pop scene for years. He is founder of an agency (now called DMA), which became the largest in the midwest. Booked, produced, managed, and directed through the Quatro Agency, groups such as: MC5, Amboy Dukes, SRC, Stooges, Savage Grace, Cradle, Frost, Rationals, Frijid Pink, and many others. Organized over 200 concerts and festivals attended by over a million people. Youngest producer of the Rolling Stones concert tour–fall of 1969, owner of Mike Quatro, Inc., a many faceted firm, devoted to youth activities, primarily show promotion. But he still obviously doesn't know enough about the people of the Woodstock Nation to know that he can't give a Pop Festival in a baseball field and keep people off the grass; that he couldn't pay the Cincinnati Police force $18,000 to serve our people.

"Now Stevie Winwood is waiting backstage with Traffic to play for you, but they have to catch a plane and they won't be able to play at all until we clear the field of people. How many of you people in the bleachers want to hear Traffic? Why don't you come down and get those people off the infield so we can let them play?"

What! What do they mean if we don't clear the field they won't play? I paid $6.50, drove 400 miles to be with them. Why won't they play? Even if they (the promoters) didn't know us, didn't know that we couldn't spectate that we didn't know what it meant to spectate. The groups themselves, the groups that played the music must've known we couldn't. They had to know that much at least about us. But they didn't play. We cleared the field, (infield), frustrated and amazed.

Then the music started.

I tried to restrain myself but I couldn't and it was insane to try. I was drawn back onto the grass, dancing, spinning, laughing; maybe it wasn't going to be so bad after all.

Then the real insanity started. There was one brother down front who had just fell over a fence being dragged off by the hair, and in the passageway under the bleachers; they began beating him. I was amazed that no one moved to the brother's aid. A White Panther sister and myself left the field to go into the passageway that we had seen the brother dragged into. I ran up to the brother and asked what he was being arrested for, he was handcuffed and being carried by three pigs. I asked what the charges were and was told by the officers to get the fuck away from them. At this point I told them it was my right to know the reason for my brother's arrest. One of them screamed "All right, get him."

I turned to run, two clubs came down on my head and shoulder. I stumbled, they grabbed me, as I wrestled to get away the pig was bending my arm, he shouted that I was trying to get his gun. About seven more rushed to his aid, I was beaten to the ground and kicked. I was then dragged into a small room and handcuffed to the point of cutting my wrists.

At the same time the doors to the side of the stadium were opening, hands and arms were pushing through, drawn by the music. Then a mad rush of white hats and badges. The arms and legs were beaten with riot clubs and faces were maced. Screams barely audible, but blood and white flesh clearly visible. There was more beating on the infield now...people screaming and running, one sister turning to run and clubs being swung then cascades of blood intermingling with her blond hair. She was dragged off!

Now at the front gates more people were being beaten. One brother huddled in a corner, rushed out by it all, was surrounded by four police, we could see him roll into a ball as the clubs came down on his back, head, legs. The police were possessed, it was insane. They beat until they saw blood then became even more demented.

Now the pigs flooded from the front gates into the parking lots, six of them surrounded a van with four brothers inside. The van was maced, the dudes inside beaten, kicked and dragged off. About 100 yards away two brothers were being beaten off their motorcycles. "You fucking pigs." Three other officers heeded the call. He was flung to the ground and his face kicked in. (It required 37 stitches.)

In the detention rooms we hung thankfully in limbo, bleeding, crying, dying. "I'd like to rip that fucking earring out of your ear, punk," a big one with a gold meat cleaver tie tack, boomed at a blood mass of hair shuddering on the floor. In the background the waiting tunes of the Traffic seemed slightly less appealing.

"What did this one get arrested for Bob?"

"Well I don't know, didn't you bring him in?"

"Shut up punk. Charge him with drunk and disorderly."

They shackled us six by six and loaded us into a van. The insanity carried over into the courthouse. A team of mass arrest lawyers tumbled into our courthouse cage, they divided up the arrest cards and us, then proceeded to ask for specifics concerning our arrests. The majority of us had no knowledge of any facts concerning our arrests. They were all prosperous Cincinnati lawyers who receive retainers from the city in cases of mass arrests like those during the previous Cincinnati riots. One of the obviously wealthy lawyers went into a riff how he was here to see that we got justice. The first case that went into court was thrown out of court because there was no arresting officer and no affidavit with charges. The judge called a half hour recess; and when court reconvened all the affidavits were signed and some brother had even been given another charge, like one dude who had been beaten for being, was now charged with impersonating an officer.

Justice, how could they utter the word to us?

"You can plead guilty and get sentenced or you can plead not guilty and wait till Monday and get tried. The judge has declared a state of emergency and set all the bonds ranging from $15,000 to $35,000. You can get out today if you make bond," the lawyer told us.

Make bond!

We felt our pockets. Most of us had exactly $6.50. That even was gone now. Where was Gibb and Quatro? Where was Traffic? Where was Ten Years After? Where were they during that whole weekend of hell that I spent in the Cincinnati Workhouse sleeping on metal and concrete and shitting in buckets and eating baloney sandwiches?

The workhouse is the name of the Cincinnati jail that they kept us in during that weekend as we awaited trial Monday. We were kept separated from the other prisoners who were really right on brothers. They were mostly young black men and seeing all us long-haired freeks being dragged in bleeding and broken as they had been so many times, spawned a feeling of solidarity.

The portion of the jail that they locked us in was called the pigeonhole. It was at the uppermost level and the temperature was upwards to the hundreds. The cells were **approximately** 5x12 with buckets to use as toilets. We were locked up durring the nights and allowed to walk the catwalk during the day. It was from here that we could shout down to the other prisoners.

Where were Gibb and Quatro while I sat there aching and bleeding? They were miles away, safe, removed, **separated**, counting my $6.50. Quatro and Gibb in being the promoters in that 'festival' have to assume full responsibility for what happened at Crosley field I would'nt have been in Cincinnatti if there had been no 'festival'. At least four people got broken arms, three got broken legs, at least 20 got head and body injuries requiring stitches. One girl was in the hospital with a brain concussion and another is there with a broken back. Seventy nine people were arrested for charges ranging from disorderly conduct to sale of drugs which carries a 30 year sentence in Ohio.

The Serve The People coalition of the Detroit/Ann Arbor community has demanded $5,000 from the promoters to cover the legal expenses of the people that got busted and to cover the bonds of five brothers still in jail. There has also been rumors of a law suit against DMA Productions (Quatro's agency, this would freeze all the agency's assets.)

Anyone that has any suggestions on how we can best end this type of mass rip-off should contact the STP coalition through the Open City Switchboard.

We are not out to get Gibb and Quatro. We are building a New Nation. The Woodstock Nation. Our people are peace-loving. We are capable of coming together and taking care of ourselves, serving our needs. This type of rape that occurred at Crosley Field is not necessary.

Hiawatha Bailey
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SIEZE LAND

Alcatraz, the focal point of the militant Indian struggle for survival and dignity, was seized by a small band of Indians on November 14 last year and formally declared liberated November 20. A population of about 100 Indians has maintained a constant vigil on the island; before the winter rains began, hundreds occupied the desolate island. Well over fifteen thousand Indians—Seminoles, Eskimos, Cherokee, Sioux, Blackfeet, and Apache have visited the spot which was once used by the United States as a dungeon for Mafia arch criminals.

The Indians are planning to create a cultural/educational center which would include:

A center for native American studies aimed at imparting skills and knowledge to improve the lives and spirits of all Indians.

A spiritual center which could practice ancient tribal religions and healing ceremonies.

A center of ecology to train young people to restore lands and waters to their natural state.

An educational training school.

A museum that would depict Indian food and cultural contributions and show the "noble and tragic events of Indian history, including the broken treaties, the documentary of the trail of tears, the massacre of Wounded Knee, as well as the victory over Yellow Hair Custer and his army."

PIT RIVER

from the Berkeley Tribe and Akwesasne Notes

Back in the year 1853 the Indian people and the world witnessed the government of the United States illegally take title to 3.2 million acres of land belonging to the Pit River tribe of Indians. This was done under a U.S. statute which gave the U.S. the power and title to the land which the Indians and their ancestors had lived on for thousands of years. In 1959, the U.S. Indian Claims Commission conceded that the 3.2 million acres belonging to the Pit River Indians was part of some 64 million acres taken "without compensation" in 1853 from numerous California Indian tribes.

The Pit River tribe and supporters (including the Hog Farm) from all over North America attempted to reoccupy the stolen territory on June 4, 1970. Much of this land, which had been ripped off and exploited by wealthy corporations, is "owned" by Pacific Gas and Electric Company– 52,000 acres with assets of 320 million dollars in Shasta County alone.

Over 100 Indians, some carrying 30-30 Winchesters for hunting and security purposes, approached Lassen Volcanic National Park under the floodlights of NBC camera crews. They were met by Park Superintendent Richard H. Boyer and a crowd of riot-helmeted pigs armed with rifles and huge clips of ammunition.

"The park is closed," Boyer told them, standing behind a barricade of two Park Service pickup trucks. "It's closed until further notice."

"The park is our land, it still belongs to us," said an Indian leader.

"You are a luckless people," Boyer replied quietly.

The dramatic confrontation ended when Richard Oakes, the 28-year-old leader of the original Alcatraz invasion, turned to the Indians with warnings that they were no match for the pigs' shotguns.

Everyone, children, women, men, and old people jumped in their cars and drove 80 miles to a PG&E campsite near Big Bend.

Here, Mickey Gemmill, Tribal Council Chairman, read a proclamation to the assembled tribe. "Don't feel you're a stranger here. This is your land. This is my land. This is Indian country. My ancestors lived here. The Great Spirit planted them here just like he did the oak trees and the water. Feel welcome. Let your spirit be free!"

The morning of June 6th, 37 Shasta County Sheriff's Deputies backed by about 50 FBI agents, detectives, marshalls, and highway patrolmen vamped on the Pit River tribe. The pigs were led by Sheriff John Balma, who said the decision to make arrests for trespassing was made Friday, June 5th at the request of PG&E officials. 38 people were busted and hauled off to the Redding jail to be mugged and booked.

Richard Oakes is in critical condition in a San Fransisco hospital after a brutal assault by three men who beat him with pool cues.

Only a few hours before, he had managed a citizen's arrest of the President of Pacific Gas and Electric for trespassing on Indian lands. His wife Ann reported he was slowly regaining consciousness after emergency surgery on his brain. The men who attacked him were not Indians.

Meanwhile, the struggle is intensifying as more and more Indian militants are travelling to Pit lands which are still in the hands of PG&E, one of the largest private landowners in northeastern California.

10 additional Indians were arrested during the arraignment of the other 38 busted people.

Anyone sympathetic to the Indian fight for dignity and liberation should contact:

Pit River Tribal Council
2608 Bunker
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They need food, cooking utensils, money, clothing, and support telegrams sent to Congressmen and the Indian Claims Commission.

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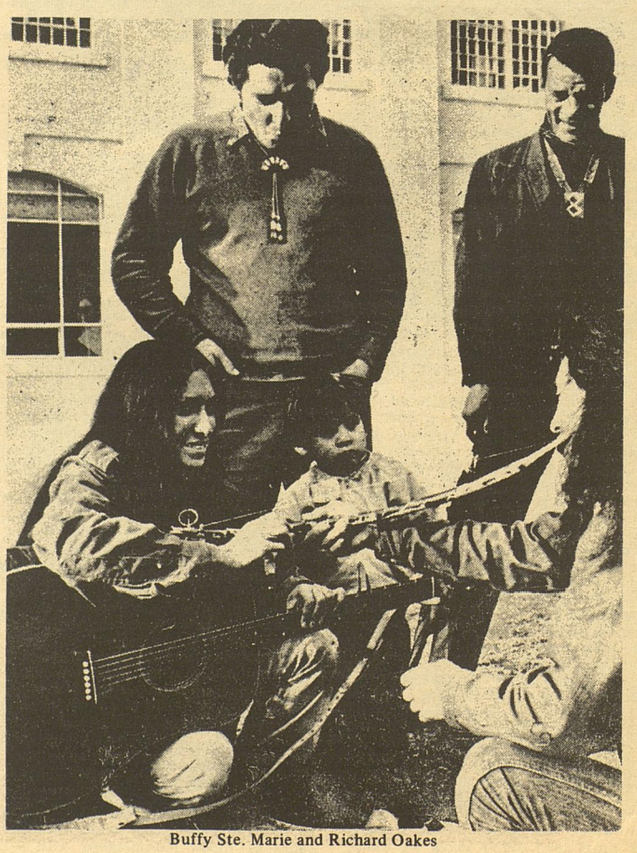

Buffy Ste. Marie and Richard Oakes

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illinois

On 5 May an Indian sister and her six children were kicked out of their house for refusing to pay the rent. As a result of this action, 50 Indians have set up an Indian Village in Chicago on land that once belonged to their people many years ago. They plan to stay on the land until their demands are met. Red Power to the Red People!

THE AMERICAN INDIANS OF CHICAGO DO, ON THIS DATE, MAY 12, 1970, DECLARE WAR ON THE SLUM CONDITIONS IN AND NEAR THE UPTOWN AREA. WE DEMAND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ENACT AND ENFORCE MEANINGFUL LEGISLATION TO FORCE SLUM LANDLORDS TO REPAIR THEIR BUILDINGS. WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES FOR THIS LEGISLATION.

1. The owners of rental units, upon notice of building violations, must begin repairs within ten days. He must complete repairs within a reasonable length of time, depending on the number and nature of violations. In no case shall the time allowed exceed 60 days.

2. Upon failure to proceed with needed repairs, the owner or his agent shall be assessed a fine of $200 per violation, said money to be placed in a general building repair fund. This fund would be supplemented by State monies and made available by virtue of a loan agreement to owners who cannot otherwise afford the financial strain. The building shall also be placed in receivership and all incomes shall be held by the receiving firm. The receiving firm would be made up of people in the community.

3. To clear his building after such action, the owner must deposit a cash bond of $5,000 per building with the receiver firm, and must voluntarily have repaired said building to the satisfaction of the tenants, the building code, and the housing authorities.

4. After a period of six months of inaction by the landlord, title of the building will be transferred to the tenants of the building or to the receiver firm.

B.I.A.

LNS—Since the middle of March, Indians across the country have seized one office after another of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Bureau is the arm of the Department of the Interior, responsible for keeping the U.S. side of the many treaties made by the federal government along the path to conquest of 1,905,000,000 acres of Indian land.

In the past ten years with a rising tide of militancy, Indian organizations and tribes have been demanding that the U.S. government begin to fulfill its promises of education, medical services, certain annuities and economic aid to the 315 U.S. tribes, promises which have never been kept.

The BIA has a budget of $500,000,000 this year. A sizeable chunk of the money goes to pay the salaries of the 50,000 employees who serve the 600,000 Indians still living on reservations—there are millions who don't.

The Indians' average annual income remains the lowest for any major grouping in the U.S.—$1500 per family—and Indian unemployment is ten times the national figure. Life expectancy is only 42 years for reservation Indians compared to a national average of 72 years. Educational facilities, in most cases designed to prepare young Indian kids to fit into the bottom layers of white society, are so irrelevant that 60% of the kids drop out. Indians are put on buses with a wallet full of money if they are willing to abandon their right to live at the reservation again.

It is not surprising that many young Indians, responding to the poverty imposed on their people by the government and the systematic erosion of their culture, are rising up angry and demanding that the BIA change its policies. Indians have been picketing BIA offices for years now. Because there has been no response, they are now moving in and occupying numerous offices.

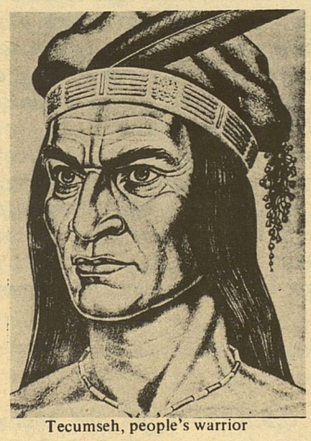
While the establishment news media has maintained an almost complete blackout on news of Indian activities, in the last couple of months Indians have seized BIA facilities in Gallup, N.M., Minneapolis, Chicago, Cleveland, Alemeda Albuquerque, and Littleton, Colo. But the news reaches Indians across the country through a coast-to-coast grapevine older and slower but more reliable than CBS.

I am in favor of a Dictatorship by the Indians. It's their land. I don't care how few of them there may be left: if there is only one single Indian left, I am in favor of making him an absolute monarch, even if he is an idiot. The Indians have a right to that. I am not interested in any arguments to the contrary. All arguments have been thoroughly refuted by the heroic resistance against European invaders put up by the Indians led by great leaders such as Tecumseh, Sitting Bull and Geronimo.

—ELDRIDGE CLEAVER

Geronimo and three warriors

THE WARPATH

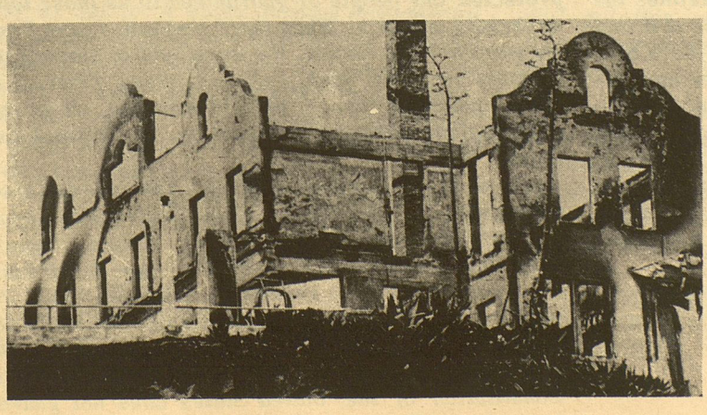


Tecumseh, people's warrior

The occupation of Alcatraz has been a peaceful effort and has hurt none except the Indians themselves who have sacrificed much to compel the Government of the United States to recognize their right to land—education—decent houses and jobs.

The Rock now symbolizes Indian-ness to the eyes of the whole world. Where once our problems—poverty and despair—were hidden from the eyes and ears of man, occupation of Alcatraz has given us the opportunity for the first time to bring to the world the true picture of our desolation—so that we may receive the compassion and consideration from mankind which has never been forthcoming from the great white father.

—Bay Area Native American Council, 31 May 70



For several weeks the Indians attempted negotiations with the government. The government came up with plans for another national park with strong Indian emphasis—a futile attempt at co-optation. The Indians rejected the white-controlled proposal and gave the U.S. until May 31st to come up with an acceptable alternative. No federal official showed up on the 31st.

The Alcatraz Indians have vowed never to leave the property. "We are just not going to leave. That is our position and that is not going to change," said Stella Leach, a member of the Alcatraz policy-making council.

The fight for self-determination and control of Alcatraz will go on. One of the Indian residents said, "It is the government's aim to break down our families and break down our resistance. A lot of reservation Indian children spend their young lives separated from their parents in boarding schools. They separate children from parents with schools that do not teach. We have seen them trying to turn us into white people called Indians, stereotype us and suppress the history of our heritage and culture in books."

The U.S. government, persisting in its blind policy of exploiting and committing genocide against the Red Man, has shut off all electricity and water to the island. The native Americans on the island are receiving water by boat in barrels and have a somewhat inefficient generator, camp stoves and lamps to rely on for light and electricity.

The Alcatraz Indians need blankets, canned food, fruit juices, canned milk, and first aid equipment. Send food and supplies to:

Alcatraz Receiving Depot
Receiving Center
Pier 40, Embarcadero
San Francisco, California

Anyone with spare bread oughta send it in check form to:

Alcatraz Relief Fund
c/o Bank of California, Mission Branch
3060 16th Street
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BY THE BLACK PA

As oppressed people held captive within the confines of the Fascist-Imperialist United States of America, we Black Americans take a dim view of the position that we, as a people, find ourselves in at the beginning of the 7th decade of the Twentieth Century.

We find ourselves in a very dangerous world-situation. White America has always adhered to a very racist attitude in its policy towards people who have color. This has been true in the past and it is true today. We see very clearly that whereas White America has escalated its policy of repression and containment of Black people inside the United States itself, on a world scale, the United States is playing the leading role in organizing the White race against the people of the world who have a color. Resolving contradictions between White Protestants and White Catholics, between White Christians and White Jews, between White Capitalists and White Communists, between White Eastern Europeans and White Western Europeans, between White Archeo-Colonialists and White Neo-Colonialists, wherever we look, the picture is one and the same. White racist America, which domestically has adopted the policy of open fascism in order to put down the uprisings of oppressed people of color and those few Whites who take a stand against the grizzly reality of the Babylonian scene, this same White racist America has projected its domestic racist perspective onto the international scene and has organized world imperialism along racists lines. Within the domestic confines of the United States of America, we see clearly that a well-planned, calculated Fascist Genocidal Conspiracy is being implemented against our people.

Black people within the domestic confines of the U.S.A. have reached another cross road. This is a time for the most serious decisions that we, as a people, have ever been called upon to make. The decisions that we make in our time, the actions that we take or fail to take, will determine whether we, as a people, will survive or fall victims to genocidal extermination at the hands of the FASCIST MAJORITY which the Nixon clique are rapidly mobilizing into a beastly vigilanty weapon to be unleashed against us.

THE U.S.A. MONSTER

The United States of America is a barbaric organization controlled and operated by avaricious, sadistic, blood-thirsty thieves. The United States of America is the Number One exploiter and oppressor of the peoples of the whole world. The inhuman capitalistic system which defines the core of reality of the U.S.A., is the root of the evil that has polluted the very fabric of existence within the U.S.A. Exploitation of man by man; the rule of man over man instead of the rule of the laws of Human Rights and Justice; savage wars of aggression, mass murder, genocide, and shameless slaughter of the people of the world; impudent, arrogant White Racism; and a naked, brazen attempt to perpetuate White Supremacy on a world scale--these are a few of the unsavory characteristics of the U.S.A. Monster with which we have to deal.

We did not ask for this situation. We did not create it. And we do not prefer it but we must deal with it.

THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION

Today, June 19th, is the anniversary of the issuance by President Abraham Lincoln of THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION during the Civil War, officially dated January 1, 1863. The end result of the EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION was supposed to be the freedom and liberation of Black people from the cruel shackles of chattel slavery. And yet, 100 and 7 years later, today, Black people still are not free. Where is that freedom supposedly granted to our people by THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION and guaranteed to us by the Constitution of the United States?

Is it in the many "Civil Rights Bills" that have been passed to try to hide the irrelevance of the Constitution for Black People?

Is it in the blood-shed and lives lost by Black People when America brings "Law and Order" to the ghetto in the same fashion and by those same forces that export "Freedom and Democracy" to Korea, to Vietnam, to Africa, Asia, and Latin America?

Is it the right to "political activity" when the U.S.A. attempts to legally murder Bobby Seale, Chairman of the Black Panther Party, for his political beliefs?

Where was that right when brother Malcolm was murdered, when Martin Luther King was gunned down?

Where is Freedom when a peoples right to "Freedom of Speech" is denied to the point of murder? When attempts at "Freedom of the Press" brings bombings and lynchings?

Where is Freedom when the right to "peacefully assemble" brings on massacres? Where is our right to "keep and bear arms" when Black People are attacked by the Racist Gestapo of America? Where is "religious freedom" when places of worship become the scene of shoot-ins and bomb-ins? Where is the right to vote "regardless of race or color" when murder takes place at the voting polls? Are we free when we are not even secure from being savagely murdered in our sleep by policemen who stand blatantly before the world but yet go unpunished? Is that "...equal protection of the laws"? The empty promise of the Constitution to "establish Justice" lies exposed to the world by the reality of Black Peoples' existence. For 400 years now, Black people have suffered an unbroken chain of abuse at the hands of White America. For 400 years we have been treated as America's footstool. This fact is so clear that it requires no argumentation.

THE CONSTITUTION

The Constitution of the U.S.A. does not and never has protected our people or guaranteed to us those lofty ideals enshrined within it. When the Constitution was first adopted we were held as slaves. We were held in slavery under the Constitution. We have suffered every form of indignity and imposition under the Constitution, from economic exploitation, political subjugation, to physical extermination.

We need no further evidence that there is something wrong with the Constitution of the United States of America. We have had our Human Rights denied and violated perpetually under this Constitution--for hundreds of years. As a people, we have received neither the Equal Protection of the Laws nor Due Process of Law. Where Human Rights are being daily violated there is denial of Due Process of Law and there is no Equal Protection of the Law. The Constitution of the United States does not guarantee and protect our Economic Rights, or our Political Rights, nor

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PANTHER PARTY

our Social Rights. It does not even guarantee and protect our most basic Human Right, the right to LIVE!

IMPLEMENTING POINT NO. 10 OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY PLATFORM AND PROGRAM

Point No. 10 of the Black Panther Party's Platform and Program addresses itself to the question of the National Destiny of Black people. We feel that, in practical terms, it is time for Black people as a whole to address their attention to the question of our National Destiny.

Black people can no longer either respect the U.S. Constitution, look to it with hope, or live under it. The Constitution is the social contract that binds the American people together into a sovereign nation and defines authority and the distribution of power, rights, and privileges. By shoving the Constitution aside, rendering it null and void, in order to carry out fascist oppression and repression of Black people, the fascists have, by that very fact, destroyed even the false foundations of authority in this society. We live in a lawless society where racist pigs have usurped the Legislative, Judicial, and Executive branches of government and perverted them towards the prosperity of their private interests. We repudiate, most emphatically, all documents, Laws, Conventions, and Practices that allow this sorry state of affairs to exist--including the Constitution of the United States.

For us, the case is absolutely clear: Black people have no future within the present structure of power and authority in the United States under the present Constitution. For us, also, the alternatives are absolutely clear: the present structure of power and authority in the United States must be radically changed or we, as a people, must extricate ourselves from entanglement with the United States.

If we are to remain a part of the United States, then we must have a new Constitution that will strictly guarantee our Human Rights to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness, which is promised but not delivered by the present Constitution. We shall not accept one iota less than this, our full, unblimished Human Rights. If this is not to be, if we cannot make a new arrangement within the United States, then we have no alternative but to declare ourselves free and independent of the United States. If it is our national destiny to follow the latter course, then we must declare ourselves into self-governing machinery, and seek the recognition of the freedom-loving nations of the world.

The Black Panther Party fully realizes that the two roads open to us as set forth above involve monumental undertakings. But we are trapped in a monsterous situation that requires a monumental solution. And no task, however great, is too much to deal with when the very welfare, survival, and national destiny of our people are at stake. Having already struggled up from the dismal depths of chattel slavery, no obstacles can be too high for us to surmount in order to liberate our people and take back the freedom and security that was taken away from us and denied us for so long.

CALL FOR A REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

The hour is late and the situation is desperate. As a nation, America is now in the middle of the greatest crisis in its history. The Black Panther Party believes that the American people are capable of rising to the task which history has laid before the nation. We believe that the American people are capable of rejecting the fascist solution to the national crisis which the fascist Nixon clique, the George Wallaces', Lester Maddoxes', Ronald Reagans', Spiro Agnews', etc. hold out to the people.

WE THEREFORE, CALL FOR A REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, TO BE CONVENED BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, TO WRITE A NEW CONSTITUTION THAT WILL GUARANTEE AND DELIVER TO EVERY AMERICAN CITIZEN THE INVIOLABLE HUMAN RIGHT TO LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS!

We call upon the American people to rise up, repudiate, and restrain the forces of fascism that are now rampant in the land and which are the only real obstacles standing between us and a rational resolution of the national crisis.

We believe that Black people are not the only group within America that stands in need of a new Constitution. Other oppressed ethnic groups, the youth of America, Women, young men who are slaughtered as cannon fodder in mad, avaricious wars of aggression, our neglected elderly people all have an interest in a new Constitution that will guarantee us a society in which Human Rights are supreme and Justice is assured to every man, woman, and child within its jurisdiction. For it is only through this means that America, as a nation, can live together in peace with our brothers and sisters the world over. Only through this means can the present character of America, the purveyor of exploitation, misery, death, and wanton destruction all over the planet earth, be changed.

WARNING TO AMERICA

We are from 25 to 30 million strong, and we are armed. And we are conscious of our situation. And we are determined to change it. And we are unafraid. Because we have our guarantee. If the American people, as a whole, do not rise up, reverse the present course of this nation, which, if unchecked, holds out only fascist repression and genocide for Black people, then we, Black people, will be forced to respond with a form of War of Salvation that in the chaos of carrying it out and the attempt to repress it, will gut this country and utterly destroy it. Before we accept Genocide, we will inflict Total Destruction upon Babylon.

It had best be understood, now, that the power we rely upon ultimately, as our only guarantee against Genocide at the hands of the Fascist Majority, is our strategic ability to lay this country in ruins, from the bottom to the top. If forced to resort to this guarantee, we will not hesitate to do so.

FOR THE SALVATION, LIBERATION, AND FREEDOM OF OUR PEOPLE, WE WILL NOT HESITATE TO EITHER KILL OR DIE!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

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YOU STUPID SHIT! WHAT DID YOU DO THAT FOR?
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SURE! JUST GO OUT AND SHOOT DEER AND TURKEYS AND THINGS!
YOU ASSHOLE! YOU'RE JUST WANTING TO GO OUT AND KILL SOME LITTLE INNOCENT CREATURE!
NAWWW! I'M SERIOUS! I PROMISE I'M GONNA EAT EVERYTHING I KILL!
DUM DA DUM DA DUM! THE FEARLESS HUNTER STALKING WILDEBEEST IN KENYA!!
HEY, MOTHERFUCKER! QUIT POINTING THAT THING AT ME!!
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AW, DON'T GET UP TIGHT! IT'S NOT EVEN LOADED!
WAIT'LL I BRING IN TH' BUFFALO!
MANUAL OF ARMS:
RIGHT SHOULDER, ARMS!
PARADE, REST!
PRESENT, ARMS!
WHOOPS!
BAM!
KLONK
YOU KILLED IT. NOW EAT IT!
HEY, THESE "ROOF RABBITS" AREN'T SO BAD ONCE YOU GET USED TO THEM! YOU SURE YOU GUYS DON'T WANT ANY?
WE GOT ANY MORE CATSUP?
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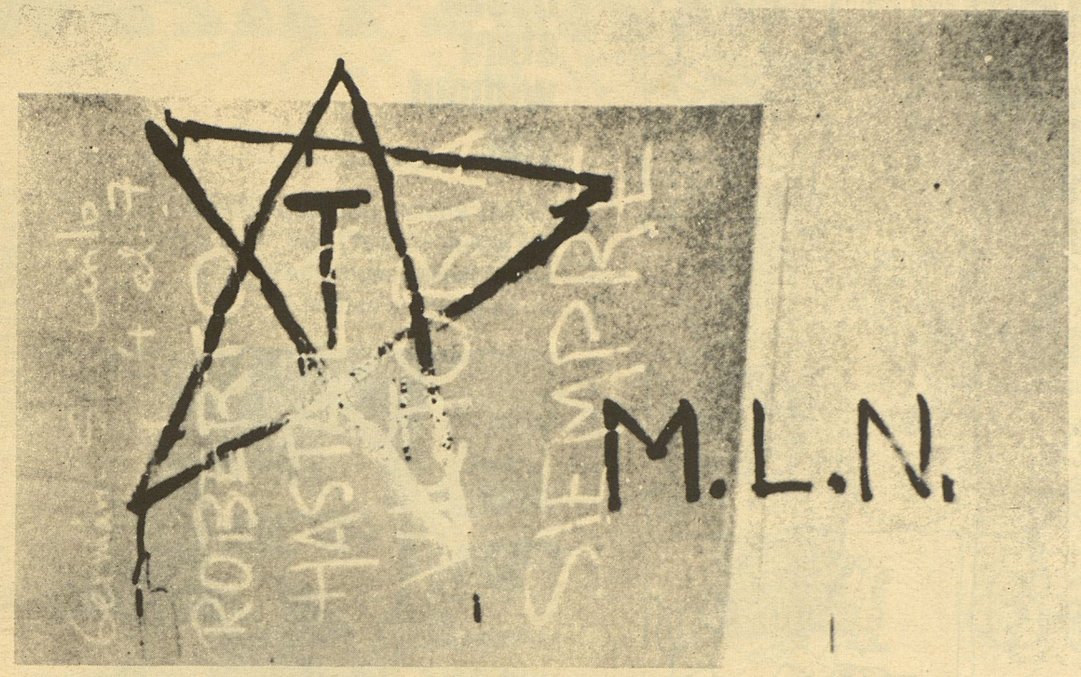
TUPAMAROS



MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (LNS) Uruguay, a small country most of whose inhabitants live in cities, has in the past six years produced the world's most successful urban guerrilla force, the Tupamaros. This group (whose name is a tribute to Tupac-Amaru, an Inca chief executed by Spain in 1781 for leading an abortive rebellion against the colonial government) has shaken the power structure of Uruguay to its foundations.

The Tupamaros' struggle has been centered in Montevideo, the nation's capital, and in other large cities, where successful actions are pulled off on an almost daily basis. Robberies and bombings of banks and brokerage houses, kidnappings of government officials, the commandeering of radio stations and theaters in order to make political statements and converse with amazed audiences, and daring prison breaks to free political prisoners—and all have been executed with equal efficiency

The actions of the Tupamaros have all been marked by two common elements. First, they are carried out against targets that the people can immediately identify as political targets. Secondly, they are almost always marked by the Tupamaros well-known insignia—a star with a 'T' in the center.

The origins of the Tupamaros, or as they are also known, the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN), are still very obscure. In a country small enough for everyone to discover the best-guarded secret, very little is known about them, how they came into being as a group, who the leader or leaders are.

They seem to have emerged as a response to the crumbling of Uruguay's economy and the increasingly repressive nature of her government. For many years, Uruguay's model "democratic" government and high standard of living had served to mask the presence of the same Yankee exploitation that was more blatantly evident throughout the rest of Latin America. By the mid-1950's, however, the problems inherent in the country's economy began to manifest themselves. Inflation soared; anti-inflationary measures applied by the government in the early 60's met with increasing opposition.

In June 1968, after the cost of living had increased 160 percent in 15 months, President Jorge Pacheco Areco sought to stop inflation by establishing wage and price controls. The decision was preceded by a month of violent clashes between the police and workers, civil servants, teachers, and students. Pacheco Areco declared Uruguay under limited martial law. This state of siege did not calm the situation, and the strikes went on.

It was amidst this growing economic and civil crisis that the MLN emerged. Hamstrung by laws which permitted virtually no mass political actions and facing the threat of extinction at the hands of police, revolutionaries who felt it was necessary to keep militant struggle alive looked for many new forms of action.

In early 1963, Raul Sendic and other Socialist Party militants who had been organizing the non-unionized workers and cattlehands of Uruguay's countryside decided to form an underground paramilitary group, independent of the official line adopted by the Socialist Party. The group they founded was the MLN, which shortly thereafter severed all ties with the party.

Their first actions were sporadic and well-planned robberies of arms from the army and the police. At the same time, they began to establish their public reputation with such colorful operations as the "hunger commando," in which the group held up a truck owned by a food-store chain on the day before Christmas and then distributed its chicken, turkey, and sweets to the inhabitants of a slum.

From the beginning, the Tupamaros moved on the conviction that Uruguay had entered a deep and prolonged crisis from which it would not emerge until the the victory of a socialist revolution. As the crisis grew worse, the frequency of their raids grew to its present rate. When confronting the government, they have not attacked it directly, but have sought either to expose its corruption or force it to display its weakness and respond with irrational repression.

On August 7, 1968, a commando kidnapped Dr. Ulises Pereira Reverbel, president of the state-owned Electricity and Telephone Services, a close friend of President Areco and one of the ideologues of the hard anti-labor line followed by the government. MLN issued a statement taking full credit for the kidnapping and warning the police not to search for the prisoners. Despite strenuous efforts on the part of Montevideo's police force, Pereira Reverbel was not found until he reappeared five days later, haggard, unshaven but unharmed, in a Land Rover parked near Montivideo's main football stadium.

The kidnapping was not done only for publicity, like Fidel Castro's kidnapping of Juan Manuel Fangio, the Argentine race champion. It sought to create support among the workers who had been subject to Pereira Reverbels' anti-labor policies. In its efforts to locate him, however, the government ordered the search to include the university. The police entered some buildings without a warning and without requesting permission from the rector. Students opposed the search and violent clashes ensued.

The Tupamaros discarded rural guerrilla warfare because Uruguay lacks the mountains or jungles where a "foco" can be organized. On the other hand, it is highly urbanized, at least 70% of its 2,560,000 inhabitants live in cities and almost half in Montevideo alone. The capital also dominates Uruguay's economic life, handles most of the international trade, consumes 75% of the electrity, and contains most of the industry. Montevideo was considered a far better setting for a guerrilla base than the flat, sparsely populated countryside.

Although police estimate that there are some 100 hard-core Tupamaros, the exact number is unknown. A recent publication indicates that the total is 1,000, but with only 50 or 100 participating in commando operations. The members are divided into completely independent cells of six or seven men, coordinated through the leaders, and each Tupamaro does not know the real identity of his fellow cell members. Decisions for commando operations are put to a vote, individually or by cells. Leaders meet once a year to discuss their unit's instructions and evaluations. It is not known whether the MLN has both a military and political leadership or whether they are united in one person.

In the last three years the police have uncovered some eleven Tupamaros bases. Several were hideouts, others were makeshift ammunition factories, and still others provided services. In one of them, a photographer's shop, the raiders found equipment to make ID cards similar to those issued by Uruguay's police. All the machines used in the forgeries and even the paper were legitimate and had been obtained from police headquarters. The type of equipment found in Tupamaros hideouts has led observers to believe that the movement provided Che Geuvera with the false Uruguayan passport he used on his way to Bolivia.

Only two Tupamaros have been killed since 1965, when the MLN stepped up its activities, but at least 20 persons connected with the movement are in jail. Although some are thought to have been tortured, the information obtained by the police has not led to a major crackdown because of the cell organization. No top-ranking Tupamaro has been caught.

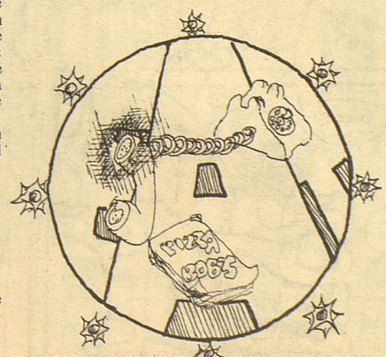
The Tupamaro intelligence service has infiltrated even the police, and the current joke in Montevideo is that is you want to find out the exact weather forecast, you ask a Tupamaro. Their information on Uruguay's armed forces is voluminous. The police have captured documents which disclose a precise knowledge of the Montevideo garrisons—number of men, identity of officers, schedules, private addresses, logistics, etc.

On Feb. 7, 1969, a guerrilla deposited a package containg some 60 pounds of dynamite at the doorstep of the captain who is the Uruguayan army's armament technician. The following letter was attached to the package:

Captain Manzino: This material is in bad shape; since it is dangerous to handle it, we have decided to destroy it. We believe you are best equippea for this task. We are aware of your technical expertise. At any rate, since these boxes were ultimately going to be examined by you, we decided to avoid delays and give them to you. —Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (Tupamaros)

The Tupamaros have so far carefully avoided terrorism. They fight with the police only when they are forced. Whenever their raids might hurt civilians, they make a point of protecting them. During a bank hold-up, the Tupamaros helped an elderly lady who fainted. Afterward, even Montevideo's chief of police had to admit, "the perfect organization, the good manners of the robbers and their humane behaviour."

On another occaision, when the Tupamaros blew up the transmission room of Radio Ariel, they first took time to warn the people in a nearby house that they might be hurt by the explosion. Consquently, Uruguayans have not been seriously harmed by the Tupamaros' raids, although on occaision passers-by have been wounded. Thus, to a certain extent, and without necessarily approving its goals, they admire the MLN's audacity and expertise.



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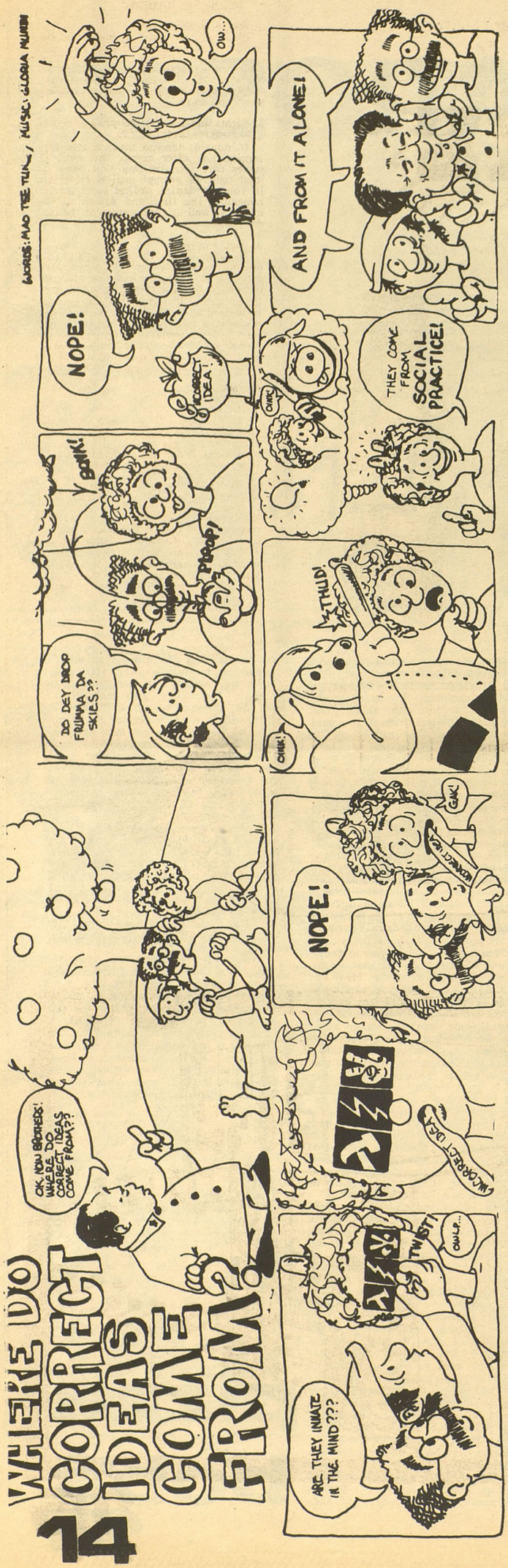

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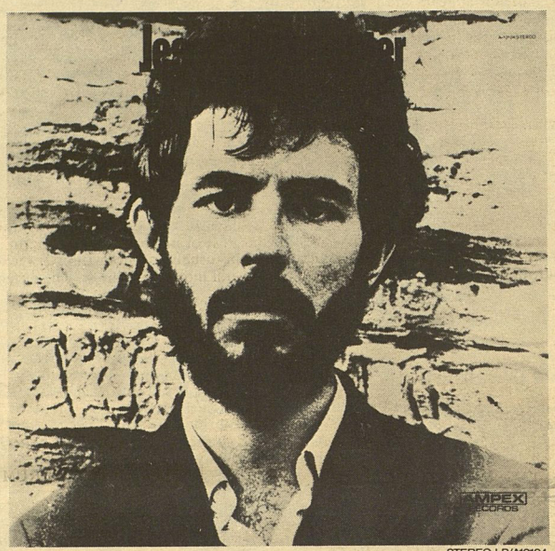
Robbie Robertson, who produced the album, says of Jesse "He's just one of those people who've got it . . . he's a stone natural."



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STOP CRABS

INFECTIOUS HEPATITIS

(The following are 7 points on Infectious Hepatitis)

1. Infectious Hepatitis is a common type of Hepatitis which occurs in epidemics and is caused by viruses introduced by fecally contaminated food or water.
2. Infectious agents that may cause hepatitis are viruses, spirochetes, protozoa and bacteria.
3. Young people are affected most frequently, and the peak incidence is in the late autumn. Epidemics become widespread in wartime. Crowding, poor sanitation and malnutrition are predisposing factors. The incubation period is 2 to 6 weeks.
4. Onset usually is sudden, with lack of appetite, fever and weakness. Tenderness and enlargement of the liver and pain in the right quadrant are usual early sysmptoms. About 5 days after onset, jaundice appears and fever tends to be less active.
5. The patient should remain in bed while jaundice, abdominal pain and liver tenderness are present and until liver function tests approach normal values. The diet should be rich in protein and carbohydrates. Fats should be chiefly from dairy foods such as cream, butter milk, and eggs. Activity should be resumed very gradually. For patients who relaspe, more prolonged bed rest is indicated. Complete recovery eventually takes place in almost all the cases.
6. Since the virus is transmitted from the feces of an infected patient, strict isolation technic should be instituted and maintained at least during the active phase of the disease. Most patients are noninfectious about 1 month after clinical onset of the disease. At present, no adequate protection against the carried state is known.
7. Usually, patients recover uneventfully after 6 to 8 weeks. Relapses occur in 5 to 15% and generally are due to premature resumption of activity, while another disease is in progress, poor diet, or alcoholism; more than 90% of the patients recover. Mild left over symptoms and slight changes in liver function may presist for 1 year or more after recovery. In about 0.2% of patients acute yellow atrophy supervenes. This usually occurs within 2 weeks, after jaundice but may take the form of a relapse after several months of illness. The outcome is fatal.

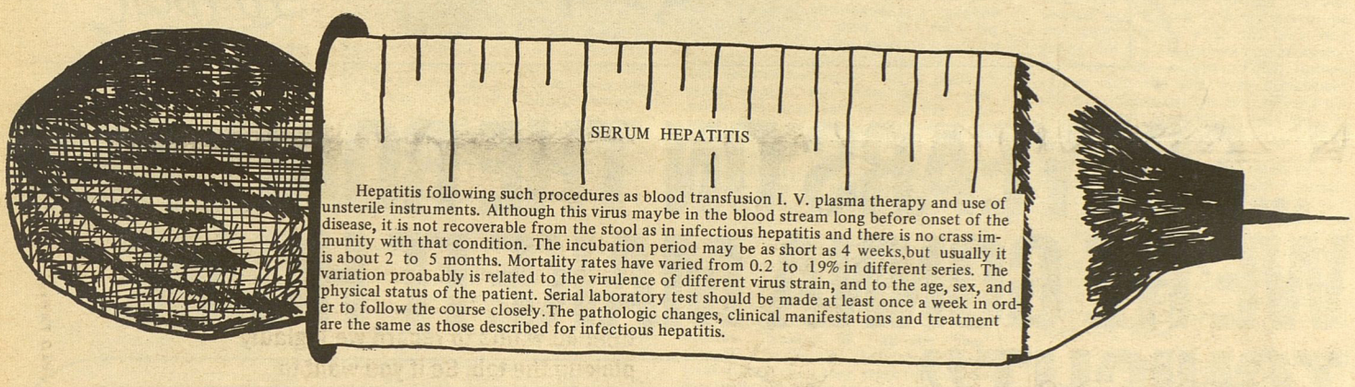
MEDICAL RIGHTS

1. Rights in the streets.
There are no rights. If injured in the streets, have your friend pull you out of harm's way. If busted demand medical attention by screaming for a doctor. If medical care is needed, witnesses can testify to this and this will strengthen your case later.

2. Rights under arrest and prior to arrival to booking center or jail.
If injured demand medical attention immediately. After arrest, the state assumes care for you and you have a legal right to prompt medical attention. If you are denied medical care, try to remember the time and nature of the injury as well as the number of the pig denying care.

3. Rights in jail:
In some states the law says that a doctor must be available 24 hours every day in any jail facility handling over 100 persons at any one time. If allowed your telephone call, have your laywer or bondsman call a doctor. It is your right to demand your own doctor but it may take a court order to get him in to see you. When the doctor gets in to see you, he can provide neccessary treatment and press for hospitalization if necessary.

4. Medical rights once you get to a hospital:
Whether you come to the hospital by yourself or are brought in by the police remember that your medical records are privileged information. If a policeman confiscates or copies them you have the right to press charges against him. If you are under guard, demand to see the doctor alone. You have the right to talk without being overheard by the guard. If the doctor refuses to make the guard leave, demand another doctor. If this is denied or impossible, threaten to sue for his revealing privileged communications The guard must leave at your request once bail is met. You have a legal right to your medical record. If for some reason the police want a blood or urine test for drugs, you can refuse to have it done. No hospital can refuse to treat an emergency because of inability to pay. Threaten to sue if you are refused.



SERUM HEPATITIS

Hepatitis following such procedures as blood transfusion I. V. plasma therapy and use of unsterile instruments. Although this virus maybe in the blood stream long before onset of the disease, it is not recoverable from the stool as in infectious hepatitis and there is no crass immunity with that condition. The incubation period may be as short as 4 weeks,but usually it is about 2 to 5 months. Mortality rates have varied from 0.2 to 19% in different series. The variation proabably is related to the virulence of different virus strain, and to the age, sex, and physical status of the patient. Serial laboratory test should be made at least once a week in order to follow the course closely.The pathologic changes, clinical manifestations and treatment are the same as those described for infectious hepatitis.

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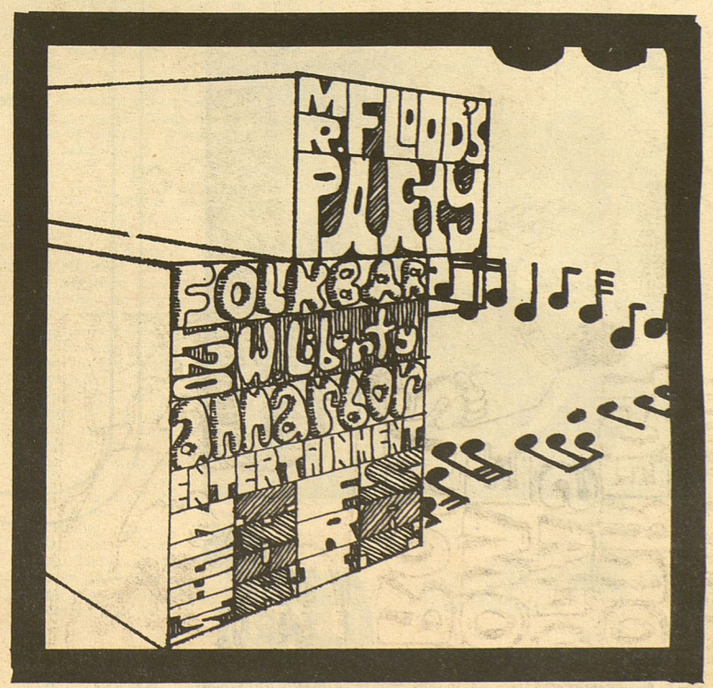

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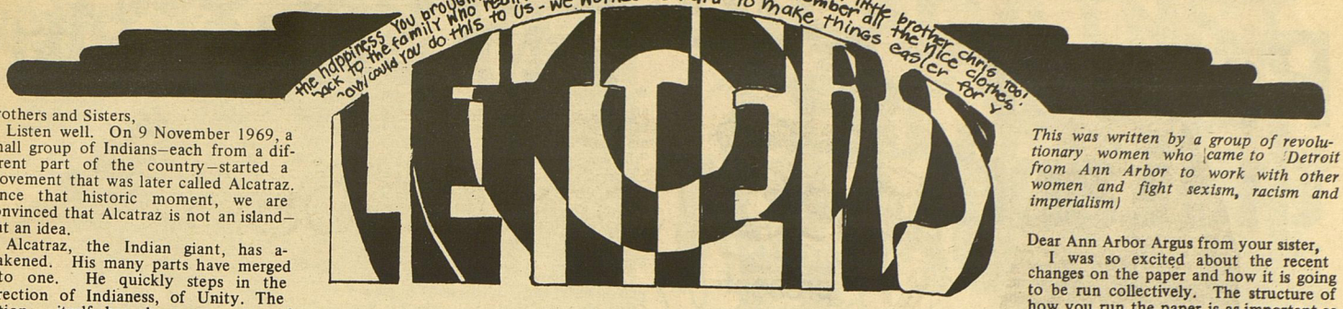
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LETTERS

Brothers and Sisters,

Listen well. On 9 November 1969, a small group of Indians—each from a different part of the country—started a movement that was later called Alcatraz. Since that historic moment, we are convinced that Alcatraz is not an island—but an idea.

Alcatraz, the Indian giant, has awakened. His many parts have merged into one. He quickly steps in the direction of Indianess, of Unity. The action itself has done more toward focusing attention on the problems surrounding the Indian than all the data emerging from Congressional reports for the last 30 years.

It pointed the way for Pomos to reclaim Stanley and Loon Islands, as well as attempts at Fort Lawton, Ellis Island, Pit River, and elsewhere.

Alcatraz is where the problems are. We need to extend this idea. This is the time to become involved in this new movement. We need people willing to do dangerous, dirty, unglamorous work—the moment is now. Call me at 415-334-2578 or write me c/0 Native American Studies Department, San Francisco State College, California.

Yours in struggle,
Richard Oakes

(letter from Jimmy, Prisoner of War in the Michigan Prison System)

Brothers and Sisters:

What's happenin people—I haven't heard from you in awhile—is anything wrong? A few of the brothers here have been writing Lyn (White Panther Minister of Communications) for some details on the Party. My younger brother B——, sent and got some basic materials. I was wondering, since they let his stuff in, would you try and keep us well informed. I realize this may be a hard thing to do, but everything helps. We pass the information around to all our brothers. It's all going pretty well right now. D—— was up this week, and she said you sent some information up—I haven't received anything yet, when did you send it?

L——, if you ever run across a book about Che will you run it to me. While I was up at MTU I had access to a million books, but I never read GUERRILLA WARFARE by Che. I hope you run across it.

As you must have figured by now, togetherness is brewing here—the engines are quietly humming. If you would, I could dig reading some Argus, Suns, Fifth Estates, or anything.

With that my friends, I must slip back into my semi-consciousness. Before I go I must ask have you heard anything from Dar-do you know whether Bob Rudnick is still in Chicago? Say hi to both of them. By for now comrades.

I have a dream (STP)

P.S. I hope the city's concerts go well this summer-energy grows in our parts!

Brothers:

My name is Rand Jennings and I reside in beautiful Findlay, Ohio. On the date of June 5th, I was informed by friends that the FBI were searching for my person, but that I was not myself. I was "Pun". Furthermore, I was told that I was one of the FBI's ten most wanted "criminals".

It all started May 30th when I visited a house with a friend which was under surveillance by the "Police Officers" of beautiful Findlay, Ohio (officially designated "Flag City, USA by the mayor)-the house has since been busted. Police, upon my appearance, informed FBI agents of the presence of "Pun" Plamondon in this city.

Whereupon, the FBI quickly reacted in their call of duty to investigate this report, which unfortunately for the amerikan government did not result in the arrest and conviction of said "Pun", another political refugee.

Police reported to the FBI of seeing this bearded character which turned out to be me. Strangely enough I only had a week and a half facial growth, after recently shaving off a full beard.

Lastly, while questioning me they asked me if I knew anyone named Larry.

I hope this is of journalistic interest.

Revolutionarily yours,
Rand Jennings

Hello Everybody,

Well, we made it to New Mexico about a week and a half ago. Hope everything is going good for you all. Things here are growing on nearly every imaginable level. We've been busy planting and planning and getting things together in general. There was a short period of freak outs, and that includes us all, a few people left and a few people came and now it seems that everybody is really getting into making this place "Ahimsa" happen.

We've planted corn, radishes, eggplant, cantelope, watermelon, cucumbers, carrots, grapes, red & black rasberries, peach & plum & apple & pear trees, squash, spinach, mustard, soy beans, turnip, strawberries, green beans, lima beans, and whole bunch of bizarre vegetables and herbs.

We just got the wood to make the molds for our adobe bricks so that we can get it on building our first permanent type dwelling. One of the brothers out here is a chemist and he is getting some type of foam for spraying a couple of foam buildings if you know what they are. We are going to build a house with a plastic roof and build it right over a hot spring. This will create a jungle atmosphere all year round seeing as this particular hot spring is 86 degrees F all year round. We are going to plant all kinds of tropical fruits within, bananas, mangos, passion fruit, etc. We will also be able to use it as a year round swimming pool and community bathtub which is really far out. Nobody ever really washes because the hot springs are heavy mineral water and carbonated so that most dirt is bubbled off without washing anyhow.

Now it's Tuesday morning and I'm the first one up. The sun comes up over the mountain and the sudden change in temperature usually wakes me up with the sun. It is really beautiful getting up with the sun and going to sleep after a killer day listening to coyotes and watching the stars.

The tales about getting stoned at high altitudes are really true. 1-2 tokes and you begin to see God.

I was just down checking out the new pony that John got for all of the younger kids to learn to ride (bareback). As soon as we finish building the goat pen & chicken coop we will get our goats and chickens which have been donated by various friendly people in the area. We are also getting free ducks & geese seeing as how there is a lady who loves ducks and geese but has too many to take care of. First we are trying to finish the planting and get the buildings started.

Mike, Linda, and I were out in the wilderness planting "herbs" and Jenny, one of our dogs, got bit by a very large diamond back rattlesnake. We saw the snake and we didn't think Jenny had been bit because she was a few feet away when the snake started rattling. We checked out the snake and it just sat there coiled and rattling so we said good morning and went back to work. After about ½ hour of planting I went over and sat down in the shade next to Jenny and saw two trickles of blood spaced about ¾-1 inch apart (big snake) and her face was swollen up so that one eye was practically swollen shut and her nose was swollen shut so she was breathing with her mouth open drooling all over. Her eyes were rolling back and it looked like we might be too late to help her. She did what most animals do when bit, just lay down preferably out of the sun and give themselves up to the course of nature which is either slow painful death or a week or so of heavy sickness and fever driven hallucinations. She was really freaking, heavy growling and trying to bite, but we had to get the poison out of her as quick as possible.

The best method for getting the poison out is to cut an X bout ¼ inch deep over each puncture and suck it out. She didn't feel the first cut but the other three were really a hassle—she couldn't see or smell and you can't blame her for freaking under the circumstances. I sucked blood for about 45 min and somebody ran and got Doc (65 yr old doctor of physics) who drove his car to approx the nearest point of the road. In the meantime we applied mud and water to continue drawing poison. By this time you could tell that she was responding positively a little bit. She could open her eyes a bit and that calmed her down a lot. I sucked about a whole cup of blood and poison out of her by the time somebody made it from the car back to us. It was 1½ miles but it was real rough country and it looked like a storm was in the making.

We put Jenny into my army coat and zipped it up and the three of us ran and stumbled through cactus, mud, another rattlesnake that struck and missed without warning, and forded the river, climbed up an overgrown hill and broke through on the road about ¼ mile from the car. I went back to the poison sucking & Linda ran and got the car. The nearest place (veternarian) was 30 miles away in Espanola. We drove through a storm with really heavy hail and finally got her to the vet who gave her 2 shots, an anti-venom & a tranquilizer to keep her quiet. We took her back for another shot yesterday and she is getting better slowly. She looks really sad because her whole face & neck are really swollen up. She got bit just below the nose and one of the fangs went all the way through the side of her mouth which was lucky.

This is still about 15 days early for rattlesnakes to come out in the open & the ones that do are really uptight because they are shedding last year's skins. The Indians call this "The Time of the Angry Rattlesnake" and it truly seems that way. Also just before a big storm the barometric pressure falls rapidly and a lot of energy runs rampant. Horses, cows, chickens all act strange and skiddish and rattlesnakes come out and are really uptight because of all the "fear" vibrations in the air. Animals are really freaked out when they sense fear because fear causes anything to act in desperation rather than in harmony with their senses. Fear is death.

I hope Jenny never investigates a rattlesnake again because in reality she has no need to. She should have learned what they are and should realize that they won't bother you unless you bug them.

We've been getting food stamps from the Amerikan government and have been buying organic foods to suit our needs quite beautifully. Whole Earth catalogue also takes food stamps so we are all saving for various things that will help it all grow. We at the bus get $180 a month which is way more than we need for food so we will be all right as far as food goes.

There are a whole lot of freaks out here but they are pretty spaced out all over Northern New Mexico & Colorado. When they do come together it's really out of sight imagine when a commune has a party out here, there are usually 4or500 nude acid tripping freaks going crazy in the water, mud, mountains, everywhere!

June 21, which is the summer equinox I think is the next open celebration. The location has not been named yet but it will be shortly. In July a Navaho Indian is coming here to prepare us for the Navaho Festival in August. Indians from every tribe in the West will be there & Mexico too, dropping peyote & dancing, feasting & trading. I can hardly wait. Some Indians are really straight and copy white man's shit but some are really flipped out and beautiful.

Say hi to everybody you can and give our best to Ann Arbor.

Love,
Terry
Congolian Maulers

This was written by a group of revolutionary women who came to Detroit from Ann Arbor to work with other women and fight sexism, racism and imperialism)

Dear Ann Arbor Argus from your sister,

I was so excited about the recent changes on the paper and how it is going to be run collectively. The structure of how you run the paper is as important as the paper itself.

Our fight is as much to break down the state as to break down every aspect of the tenets of that state that keep us locked into the system. The state imbues us with ideologies that we hold dear to ourselves—that industry and schools and the army perpetuate so that they can keep other people down—us down, and then do their dirty work. When we attack this country we will not always be able to define a clear target an institution that oppresses people, we will have to seek out the enemy in a place where it has been well-concealed and only a small open sore exists and leading to a DEEP rooted infection and yank it out.

Sexism (the hierarchy between men and women which perpetuates the objectification of a whole class of society, WOMEN, in every aspect of their daily lives). No paper can call itself revolutionary in any way if it prints things which espouse sexism.

THE AD of the woman draping herself around a man because of his "honest jeans that scream out *I am a man*"—to espouse sexism in an ad for MONEY—I question the difference between that ad and Playboy. Do I have to go through it word for word and even describe why the picture portrays the stereotype sexist roles between men and women, and then say how that stereotype was taught to us when we were very young and has cramped us into becoming inhuman plastic people and then funnels women into the shit work department and the "Concentration Homes" and the underground papers where she does the typing and sweeps the floor and fucks when HE wants to.

The state has been threatened by our youth culture and the progressive aspects about the way we try to live and the fact that the culture grew in opposition to the system—in hatred of the system—and the state has seen many of us carry that hatred into becoming traitors of the ruling class and—the state will try to buy us off—they will reinforce our culture's most reactionary aspects. They will dilute our power.

The ad that the sister referred to is one of a series of "Landlubber Jeans". We aren't running the last of the series; it was wrong of us to accept the first of the series. We are struggling to raise our collective consciousness.

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Rape of the Land

Washington June 21—The Federal Government announced a pilot program aimed at the voluntary eradication of wild dope in 20 counties of 10 Midwestern states, including Barrien and Cass counties in Michigan.

Marijuana has grown wild in many areas since World War II, when it was cultivated legally as a substitute for Manila hemp. It has continued to grow freely in the wild.

About 30 "weed control specialists" and county extension agents from the 10 states will meet with representatives of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs in St. Louis, Missouri on June 23 to map final plans for the program

JUMBO COKE AND SHACK BUST

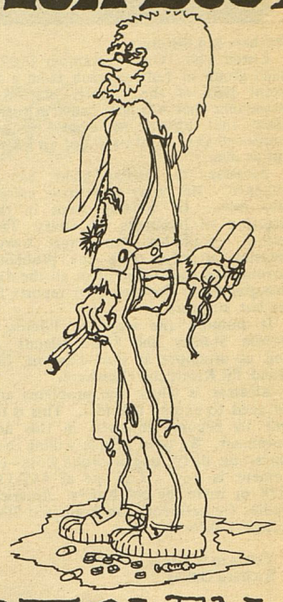
Washington June 20-21—130 persons were arrested and "$2.5 million worth of heroin and cocaine were seized by federal narcotics agents in what was described as "the largest nationwide narcotics raid in history." Attorney General of the United States, John "Jones" Mitchell said that the target was a nationwide ring of wholesalers handling about 30 percent of all heroin and 75-80 percent of cocaine sold in America.

Simultaneous raids were made at 10 pm June 20 and 3 am June 21 in New York City, Newark, Hartford, Chicago, Washington, Miami, Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, Las Vegas, and San Juan, Puerto Rico. Mitchell said that most of those arrested were Cuban refugees or Puerto Ricans, and that there were no Mafia involved.

Seized by feds were: 33 pounds of heroin and cocaine, $17,875 in cash, 23 cars, and 14 weapons. In the six-month investigation leading to the simultaneous arrests, 66 pounds of scag and coke were confiscated.

The Attorney General said the arrests had been made on the basis of evidence obtained by undercover agents and through court approved wire-tapping on telephones in New York, Chicago, and Miami.

Two of those arrested were wounded by agents. One was shot as he fled down a New York City Street in a car, another as he attempted to open fire on narcs that entered his home.



THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH

Lexington, Kentucky (AP)—A University of Kentucky faculty member has begun experiments to try to find out if drug use can affect a person's political thinking. He is beginning with a study of the effects, if any, of tranquilizers.

"If tranquilizers can do it," said Dr. Dean Jaros, an associate professer of political science, "then there's a strong pre-presumption that more powerful drugs can do it."

In his experiments, Jaros asks volunteers to respond to a series of political questions. Then they're given tranquilizers, watch films or listen to tapes about politics, and are interviewed and asked to answer more questions.

So far, about 80 students have participated.

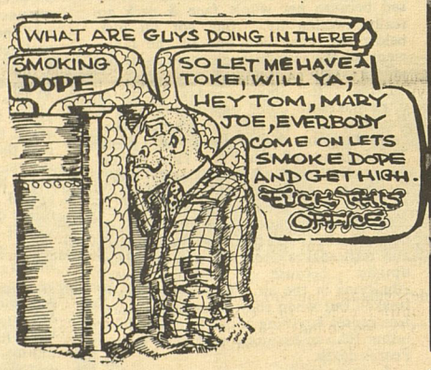
OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The chairman of the Douglas County Noxious Weed Control Board has found a new means of controlling marijuana—a goat named Clarabelle.

"She eats marijuana like kids eat ice cream," says owner Ray Villareal.

Villareal says he's had the goat about a month to control marijuana on his property.

"She has a ball," says Villareal. "She jumps three feet in the air and fights our dogs. One could say she really gets her kicks."

He said however, he didn't know if the marijuana caused Clarabelle's behavior or if she just acted like that anyway.


WHAT ARE GUYS DOING IN THERE?
SMOKING DOPE
SO LET ME HAVE A TOKE, WILL YA; HEY TOM, MARY JOE, EVERBODY COME ON LETS SMOKE DOPE AND GET HIGH.
FUCK THIS OFFICE

3/4 TON STOLEN

Maybee, Michigan June 22—1,500 pounds of smoking dope was seized by the Metropolitan Narcotics Squad in a raid on a farm near Maybee, a town in Southern Monroe County.

The Metropolitan Narcotics Squad was formed about two weeks ago from personnel of the Detroit Police and Wayne County Sheriff's Department to vamp on big dealers. "We had them under close observation for 2 24 hours"said Detective Sgt. Franklin Van Wulfin, who led the raid.

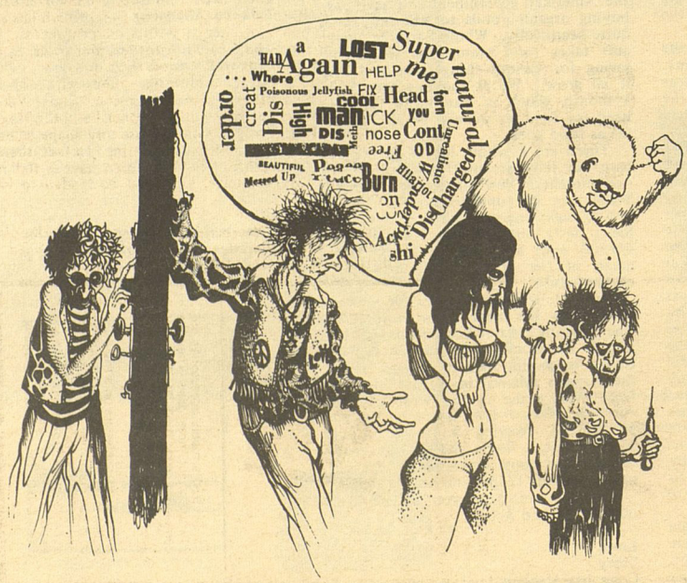
The pig forces, consisting of Federal Narcs and Detroit, Wayne County, and State Police, set up a roadblock a half mile from the farm and stopped two men in a car at 6:20 pm. They discovered 228 pounds of "refined marijuana" in bags in the trunk of the car. The subsequent raid on the farm yielded 1,272 more pounds of dope, found in a large barn.

Cops also seized a complete set of surgical tools, a press for making bricks out of loose weed, and a telephone. In a smaller barn was a house trailer with a fake ceiling for transporting the death-dealing weed.

The two men were arrested and released on $2,500 bond. A third man was arrested, but police refused to identify him or the charges against him.

Police estimated the value of the confiscated grass at $8,670,000 retail. This works out to the bargain price of $360 a lid, or a mere $15 for a "marijuana cigarette."

MEET THE COMMITTEE



Last April, 33 people were somehow selected from the Ann Arbor community to comprise the Citizens Blue Ribbon Committee on Problems of Drug Abuse. This includes students from the junior highs, high schools and colleges as well as the legal, medical, and religious type people you'd expect to find.

The purpose of the committee is to recommend action to the City Council, which is of course limited and not able to do things like legalize marijuana.

The only drug program serving the needs of the people in Ann Arbor right now is the 764-HELP bum trips phone. At this point it looks like the committee is prepared to recognize this service and hopefully generate the support required to free it from University domination and provide the extra facilities it needs.

But, as most of us know, tripsitting is minor compared to the staggering anti-life problems presented by something like heroin or gasoline and glue sniffing. You get into some pretty heavy questions whenever you try to get people to stop doing something.

Would you authorize such pig tactics as the use of undercover agents if the man they were after was dealing smack instead of weed? What do you do about the snake who would poison the people by selling bad dope?

Community control of the police would be a great step forward in these areas, since the police right now seem to be deeper into enforcing a set of values than protecting people's personal health and safety. The ideal, of course, would be to decrease alienation in the community to the point where no police force is needed and people just run the pushers out of town.

But what kind of education and propaganda programs do you carry out to accomplish that?

So the Mayor's Citizens Committee is trying to hassle all this shit out, and we can't afford to let it become another scene where some "them" ends up telling "us" what to do. The three task forces on legal problems, treatment problems, and educational and community services have already held public hearings, and almost nobody showed up.

Regular meetings have been suspended until September when everybody gets back for school. But the task forces are functioning and will probably have more public hearings this summer. The first ones were okay. but they should have been held outside in the sunshine instead of that cold air conditioned basement.

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UP AGAINST THE WALL KE-MO-SA-BE

An oppressed people are authorized whenever they can to rise and break their fetters.
HENRY CLAY, politician, 1818

HANDGUNS Pt. 1

Handguns are strictly short range weapons. They are difficult to aim, and they shoot cartridges much less powerful than rifle cartridges. For most people, 25 yards would be a maximum range for reliably hitting a man-sized target.

With these disadvantages, why would anyone want a handgun? The answer is simply their size. No other type of gun can be carried in a coat pocket, a purse or a glove compartment, and no gun can match a handgun for the speed with which it can be brought into use. (Note: **while pointing out the concealibility of handguns it should be noted that it is illegal in Michigan to carry a handgun in a concealed state.**)

Militarily, handguns are used very little, but they are the main armament of domestic police, who are very adept at using handguns, and often hit young blacks in the back at 50 yards.

There are two basic types of handguns: revolvers and automatic pistols.

Revolvers

A revolver has a revolving cylinder, which has 5 or 6 separate chambers, into which the cartridges fit. As the cylinder revolves, one chamber at a time lines up with the barrel, and the cartridge is then fired. Pulling the trigger for the next shot rotates the cylinder so the next cartridge lines up with the barrel. After all the shots are ejected, new cartridges are loaded in the chambers.

Modern revolvers are both "double action" and "single action". At the rear of the revolver is a hammer, which can be cocked back. When the hammer is cocked, it can be reloaded by a very light pull on the trigger. The hammer then snaps forward, pushing the firing pin into the cartridge primer. When the gun is fired this way, where the hammer is first cocked and then the trigger is pulled, it is called firing "**single action**".

The gun can also be fired without separately cocking the hammer, by just pulling the trigger, which automatically cocks and releases the hammer in one smooth operation. This is called "**double action**" firing. Double action shooting is much faster since the hammer isn't cocked separately, but it makes pulling the trigger harder, so it is not quite as accurate as single action firing.

Automatic Pistols

An automatic pistol is really a small version of a semi-automatic rifle, where some of the energy of the cartridge is used to operate the bolt, and all you do is pull the trigger for each shot. Actually, instead of a bolt, most auto pistols have a "**slide**" which completely encloses the barrel and which slides back after the gun is fired, ejecting the empty case and cocking the hammer. The slide then snaps forward, chambering another round. Automatic pistols have removable magazines which fit into the handgrip and hold from seven to 14 rounds of ammunition. With extra loaded magazines on hand, which can be inserted into the gun in a couple of seconds it is possible to keep up a very high rate of fire. In most **automatic pistols, the slide and barrel are locked together at the moment of firing, just as in a bolt action rifle. When the cartridge is fired both barrel and slide recoil backwards as a unit about ¼ inch. By this time the bullet is out of the barrel. The barrel at this point stops moving backwards and unlocks from the slide, which keeps moving backwards and ejects the fired case. This type of pistol is called "short recoil locked breech pistol", and is the most common type.**

Automatic vs. Revolver

Automatics and revolvers each have their advantages. The automatic has greater firepower (more shots can be fired quickly). But, because each cartridge has to go from the magazine up a ramp into the chamber, it is somewhat susceptible to jams, especially if soft point ammo is used where the soft lead tip may catch on the ramp. Also, if you have a misfire (the cartridge does not go off), the slide must be pulled back by hand to clear the unfired cartridge and chamber a fresh cartridge. This takes valuable time in a self defense situation.

If you have a misfire with a revolver, you simply pull the trigger again, which will rotate the next cartridge in line with the barrel. (Actually, with modern commerical ammunition, misfires are extremely rare). The revolver, on the other hand, takes longer to reload. Conclusion: the automatic has greater firepower, the revolver has slightly better reliability. The military uses automatics, while almost all police, undercover agents, private detectives, etc., use revolvers, since 100% reliability is of utmost importance to them.

What Type of Handgun Should You Buy?

The first step, as with the rifle, is to decide on the caliber and cartridge type. While there are dozens of different automatic pistol cartridges available, only three are recommended: 9 mm Luger, .45 ACP (Automatic Colt Pistol), and .38 Super. Why?

First of all, any cartridge smaller than these does not provide enough stopping power. If you use a gun in a self defense situation it probably means your life or someone else's life is in imminent danger, and you want a gun that will stop the assailant. There are many cases in which people have been hit by various small caliber guns and have kept right on coming.

There are a few other large caliber automatic pistol cartridges, such as 9 mm Bergmann, but they are scarce and ammo is hard to get, so they are not recommended.

The 9 mm Luger (also called 9 mm Parabellum) is in very widespread use worldwide, being the standard pistol cartridge of all NATO countries except the U.S. Standard load is 350 to 375 footpounds; can be handloaded somewhat hotter. Military surplus ammo readily available, as is standard commercial metal jacketed ammo. In addition, you can buy soft point ammo which greatly increases stopping power. Has moderate recoil. Highly recommended.

The .45 ACP is the U.S. military pistol cartridge. Shoots a slow moving, heavy bullet with about 350 footpounds of energy. Ammo is widely available, and

Double action revolver with swing out cylinder

tairly cheap. Recommended, but recoil is more severe than 9 mm, often making it hard for beginners to shoot accurately.

The .38 Super, with 470 footpounds of energy, is the most powerful automatic pistol cartridge. However, this is not a military cartridge, and only metal-jacketed commercial ammo is available. The potential of the cartridge can only be realized with soft point bullet handloads, which are very effective. Recommended, if you reload.

Revolver Cartridges

Only two revolver cartridges are recommended: the .38 Special and the .357 Magnum. As in the case of pistols, it is foolish to get a revolver that shoots a cartridge less powerful than these.

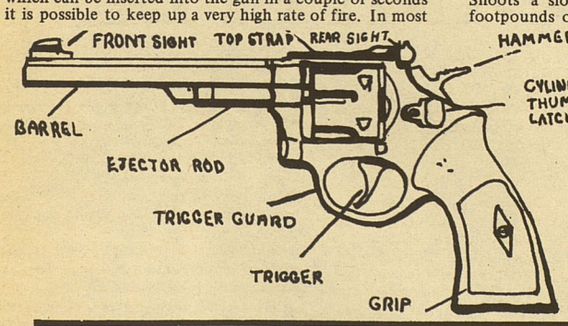
The .38 Special is the most popular handgun cartridge in the U.S. and is probably used by 75% of U.S. pigs. About 375 footpounds, in the standard heavy load, and ammo is very widely available. Caliber is a misnomer—bullet diameter is actually .357. It is sometimes called the .38 Smith and Wesson Special, and is not to be confused with the .38 Smith and Wesson, which is an obsolete cartridge.

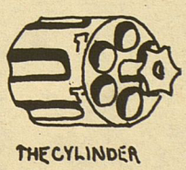
The .357 Magnum cartridge has a case identical to the .38 Special, but is one-eighth of an inch longer. It is loaded to almost twice the energy of the .38 Special. A .38 Special cartridge is fired in a .357 Magnum revolver, but cannot be done vice versa. This makes .357 guns desirable, since you have a great variety of .38 special and .357 magnum loads available.

There are two larger magnum cartridges available—the .41 Magnum and the .44 Magnum, which have 1000 and 1150 footpounds of energy respectively. The problem with them is that you have to be very experienced to get off accurate successive shots, because recoil is so severe. They are definitely not recommended for beginners, although in the right hands they are very effective.

In addition, there is another effective revolver caliber, the .45 Colt, (also called .45 Long Colt) which has about 400 footpounds of energy, with moderate recoil. Guns for it are somewhat scarce, however, and some of them are collector's items which raises their price.

Standard revolver ammuntion comes with cast lead bullets, which provide some expansion. Super Vel also makes revolver cartridges in .38 Special and the Magnum calibers. In a revolver, you can use any shape of bullet, since there is no possibility of jamming. In fact, there are so called "wad cutter" bullets which have a flat nose. They are very accurate, but must be loaded to lower velocities.





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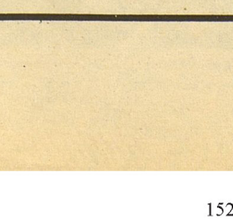

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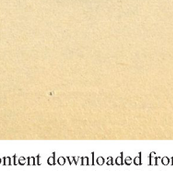

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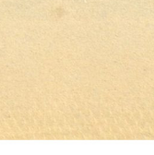

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